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GERMAN TROOPS COMPLETE OCCUPATION OF CZEKIA



Thick black line shows the area of Czechoslovakia seized after September 1st. The "head" now becomes German territory, the "torso" maintains a German vassalage, while the tail goes to Hungary.

SWASTIKA AS NATIONAL EMBLEM OF THE PEOPLE

BOHEMIA AND MORAVIA, THE TWO CZECH STATES WHICH HAVE BEEN SEIZED BY GERMAN TROOPS, WILL BE INCORPORATED IN ALL OFFICIAL GERMAN MAPS AS PART OF THE GREATER REICH.

The swastika will be the official flag of the new German province, which will be known as Czekia.

The Czech Army will be disbanded and German troops will continue in occupation of the entire area.

SKODA FACTORY FOR REICH

Included in the German gains are the vast Skoda armaments factories.

The area of the two new German provinces is 30,426 square miles, which is more than half of the pre-September acreage of the entire Czech-Slovak Republic (54,207 square miles).

Slovakia, which will retain an armed independence as a semi-German state, has an area of 18,895 square miles and a population of 3,254,000. It is all that will remain on the maps of Europe to show where once stood the proud Central European Republic.

HITLER'S TRIUMPHANT ENTRY

PRAGUE, Mar. 15.
HERR ADOLF HITLER made a triumphal entry into Prague at 7.45 p.m. this evening, in a snowstorm.

It is expected that a triumphal parade will be held to-morrow.

The Fuehrer took up official residence at the old castle of Prague, when his flag was hoisted over the castle tower by the castle guard, composed of a German Fascist regiment.

It is reported that Herr Hitler has commissioned General von Brauschich to exercise executive power in Bohemia and Moravia.

An earlier Berlin message says that Herr Hitler arrived at Boemischelapa on Bohemian territory this afternoon en route to Prague, accompanied by Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, General Keitel, General von Steinhilber, the Quartermaster-General of the Army, Herr Himmler, and many other high army officers and party officials.

Herr Konrad Henlein, former Sudeten leader, has been appointed civil administrator at the German army headquarters in Prague, while Herr Buerckel has been selected as head of the civil administration of Moravia at the German army headquarters in Prague.

Reports from Bratislava state that Ruthenian storm-troopers disarmed a large section of the Czech military.

GERMANS IN SLOVAKIA

Reports that German troops have marched into Slovakia are now confirmed. Troops advancing into Moravia and Bohemia encountered snow blizzards which reduced visibility to ten yards, and greatly hampered the motorized units.

CABINET RESIGNS

Prague, Mar. 15. The Czech Cabinet has resigned and General Gajda, the Fascist leader, has been made "Fuehrer of the Czech people"—Reuter.

WALL STREET NERVOUS

New York, Mar. 15. Nervousness over the Czechoslovakian situation dominated dealings on the New York stock and share exchange to-day.

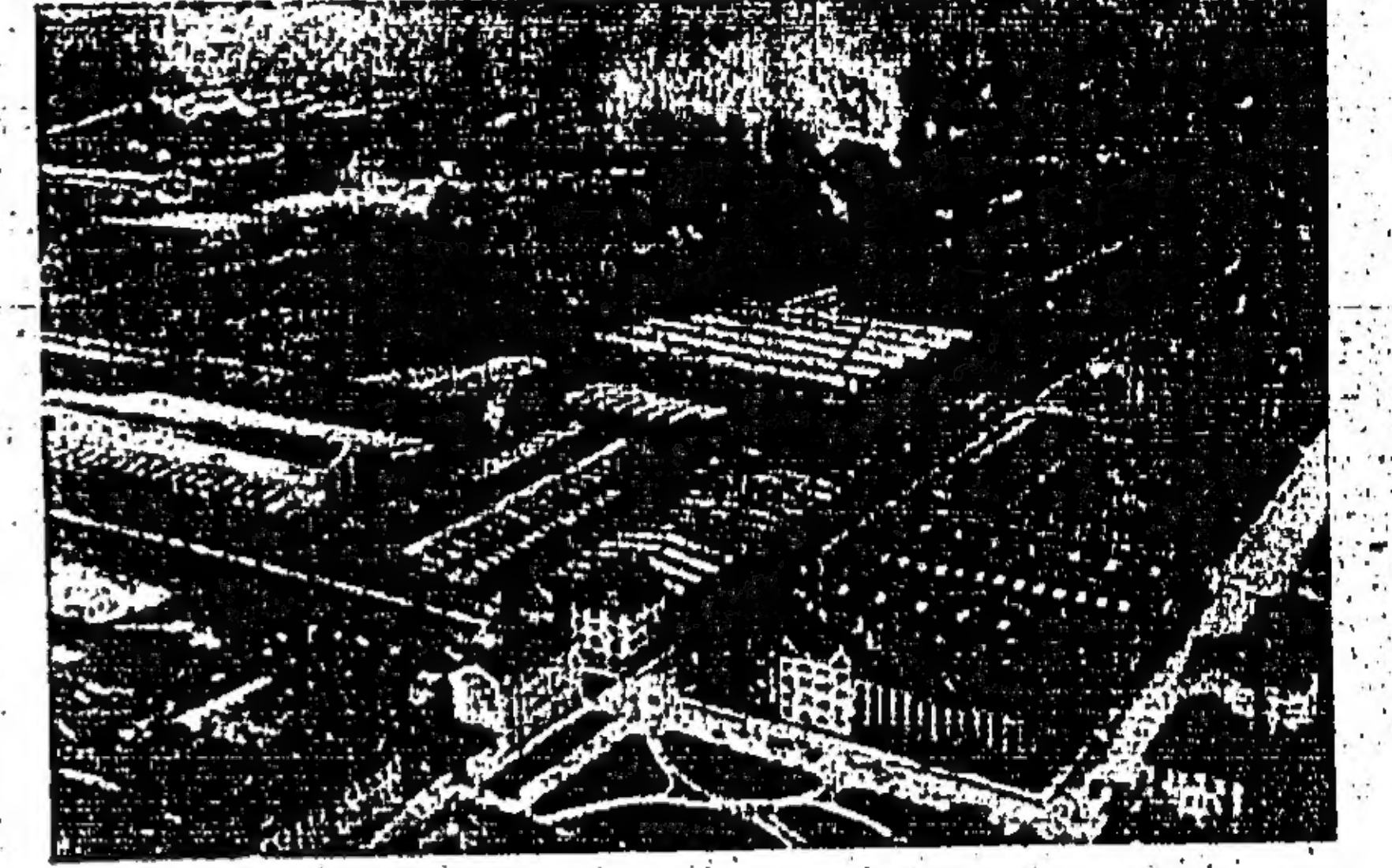
The break was the widest since January 26 when Czech bonds crashed both on the New York and London markets.

Wall Street's principal worry was concerned with the European political situation and also considerable disquiet was felt regarding domestic developments, especially over the Federal Reserve action which dissipated hopes of a margin reduction.—United Press.

ESTABLISHING RELATIONS

Prague, Mar. 15. A Czech committee for the establishment of friendly relations between the Czech nation and the German army was formed here to-day.

It consists of political and non-political groups. The political group is composed of adherents to the so-called "Wakla" movement, in which



A VIEW OF THE vast Czech armament works near Pilsen. These will now become German property.



THE TYN CHURCH in Prague. Here John Huss preached, and at its base stands his statue. Tower at left is the Old Town Hall with famed intricate clock.

CHINA LOAN BILL IS INTRODUCED

Interest At Rate Of 2 3/4 Per Cent.

LONDON, Mar. 15. SIR JOHN SIMON, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to-day introduced into the House of Commons, the China Currency Stabilisation Bill, providing for the establishment of a £10,000,000 fund to check undue fluctuations in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar.

He said that the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation would subscribe £3,000,000, the Chartered Bank of India and Australasia would provide £2,000,000, and the Bank of China and the Bank of Communications would jointly subscribe £5,000,000.

The Management of the fund was vested in a committee of five, two of which were appointed jointly by the Chinese banks, one each by the Hongkong and Shanghai and the Chartered banks, and one would be a British expert appointed by the Chinese Government in agreement with the approval of the British banks.

DUTY OF COMMITTEE

The duty of the committee would be to determine from day to day the policy best suited to achieve the purpose of checking undue fluctuations in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar.

The Hongkong and Shanghai and the Chartered banks would receive interest every six months at 2 3/4 per cent. The Chinese banks would undertake to pay interest insofar as it was not met by earnings from any

LATEST

Ultimatum Not Met

Budapest, Mar. 15. The reply to the Hungarian ultimatum to Ruthenia was received here from Premier Vojcesik this evening.

His answer, the Ruthenian Premier declared, that three representatives of the Ruthenian Government were en route to Budapest and requested the Hungarian Government to terminate immediately all military operations in the country.

The Hungarian Foreign Minister, Count Csaky, replied that the Ruthenian delegation would be received with traditional Hungarian hospitality, but that it was impossible to interrupt military operations because they had already advanced to a stage at various points.

Count Csaky also expressed the hope that Premier Vojcesik would exert all his influence to prevent unnecessary bloodshed in Ruthenia.—Trans-Ocean.

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COMMONS STATEMENT

"BITTERLY REGRET," SAYS CHAMBERLAIN

LONDON, Mar. 15. MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN, the British Prime Minister, entered the House of Commons to-day to make a statement on Czechoslovakia, just before the end of question-time. He was greeted with Ministerial cheers and cries from the Opposition.

The Premier said that having failed in a recent endeavour to achieve a guarantee agreement with the other Munich signatories, the British Government regarded its guarantee obligations no longer binding.

After touching on the questions of the loan to Czechoslovakia and the postponement of the visit to Germany of Mr. R. S. Hudson and Mr. Oliver Stanley, previously mentioned by Viscount Halifax in the House of Lords, Mr. Chamberlain declared that he had no doubt that Munich was right, and he believed that it had the approval of the vast majority of the peoples of the world.

EFFECT ON BRITAIN

Future Policy Based On Further Acts

LONDON, Mar. 15. THE EVENTS in Czechoslovakia were the main pre-occupation of the Cabinet at its meeting this morning. It is understood that the Ministers took a very grave view of the situation, and consequently will press on the re-armament programme to the utmost.

While British policy will continue to be directed towards a peaceful settlement of disputes, there seems little doubt that Ministers will henceforth base policy on the risks of further acts by Germany outside the boundaries of her own nationals.

Developments to-day shocked members of all parties, but the view is widely held that in the present situation, no effective action could be taken by this country.

The suggestion by Mr. Anthony Eden of an all-party Government has met with little support.

QUICKER THAN EXPECTED

The variation of Czechoslovakia has come quicker than expected, writes a diplomatic observer, but the efficiency and rapidity with which Hitler seized Bohemia and Moravia came as no surprise.

The German formula has been identical in each of her three foreign successes in the last twelve months. First the ground is thoroughly prepared, and then, when all arrangements are complete, a mine is sprung and German troops have merely to take possession of territory gained by diplomacy.

This time, however, the soldiers were not received with flowers and cheers, but with cat-calls and hisses.

It is thought in some quarters that the two Czech provinces may prove rather a tough meal, but it must be remembered that German digestion has shown itself to be remarkably sound.

It is not known whether Germany fully approves of Hungary's seizure of Ruthenia, but perhaps the Reich does not attach great importance to it as Hungary, by herself, could not offer much resistance to Germany's pressure in the East.

POLES DISTURBED

Poland and Italy profess satisfaction at Hungary's action, but it is gathered that the Poles are deeply disturbed over the position of Slovakia. Diplomats are asking in which direction will come the next move.

GERMANY ASKED TO EXPLAIN

Stresses 'Willingness' Of The Czechs

PARIS, Mar. 15.

A COMMUNICATION from the German Government regarding developments in Central Europe was received at the Quai d'Orsay early this afternoon.

It is believed that the communication particularly stressed the fact that entry of German troops into Bohemia and Moravia took place with the assent of the Prague Government. The German Ambassador, Count Welczeck, is expected to visit the Foreign Office this afternoon.—Trans-Ocean.

PARIS IMPRESSED

PARIS, Mar. 15. A request for information as to the exact meaning of Herr Hitler's proclamation with regard to the Czech State was made by the French Ambassador to Berlin this morning.

M. Georges Bonnet had telephone talks this morning with the Polish Ambassador and the French Ambassador in London.

This evening, M. Bonnet is receiving the German Ambassador, who will confirm the communication made this morning by which the German Government declared that its action in Czechoslovakia was taken in agreement with the Government in Prague.

The speed and gravity of the changes in Czechoslovakia has made a deep impression here, but what has most impressed the French is the passage in Hitler's proclamation declaring that Czechoslovakia is vital to Germany and that it belonged to Germany over 1,000 years.

This proclamation is regarded as abandonment of the principles of racism enunciated in "Mein Kampf", and also Hitler's statement after Munich, when he declared that National Socialism did not envisage incorporation in the Reich of non-Germans.—Reuter.

BERLIN COMMENT

Berlin, Mar. 15. The first official German comment on the events in Central Europe appears in the "Diplomatische Korrespondenz" to-day, which states that "history confers on the Czech people no claim whatever to independence."

"Czech political leadership itself has now reached the conclusion that the experiment of sole Czech responsibility for Bohemia and Moravia has been a failure."

ROME COMMENT

While official circles in Rome are chary of commenting on the Czechoslovakian situation, this morning's newspapers give the trend of public opinion.

The "Telegrafo" declares that "only after the Munich conference had been hastily summoned was

"TRUSTINGLY"

Berlin, Mar. 15. A communique issued at 7 o'clock to-day after the meeting with Herr Hitler stated that President Hacha had declared that in order to reach a final appeasement, he placed the fate of the Czech people trustfully in the hands of Herr Hitler.

The Fuehrer accepted this declaration and gave expression to his decision that he placed the Czech people under the protection of the Reich, and would guarantee it an autonomous development in its national life corresponding with its peculiarities.—Reuter.

GERMAN PROCLAMATION

Berlin, Mar. 15. A final decision regarding the future constitutional position of Bohemia and Moravia within the Reich has not yet been taken. It is claimed in well-informed quarters.

The same position applies to the future rights and duties of the Czech population.

For the time being, commanders of the respective army corps have executive power in Bohemia and Moravia, with a civil administration being organised to assist them.

According to a message from Prague, the Commander-in-Chief of the Third Army Group, General Blaskowitz, issued a proclamation to the population to-day in the following terms:

"EXECUTIVE POWER IN BOHEMIA has been entrusted to me. I have made the following enactments: The Reich Commissary and regional leaders: Herr Konrad Henlein; is

The King Commands Ballet Gala at Covent Garden

M. LEBRUN WILL BE GUEST OF HONOUR

FOR the first time since pre-war days a Royal Command ballet performance is to be given at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, on March 22.

It will be held in honour of the French President and Madame Lebrun, who are in London on a State visit. And thus, for a night, the stateliest of all theatres will once again be the scene of pageantry and royal pomp.

Every man present will wear uniform or Court dress. Women will be expected to wear tiaras and other jewelled adornments.

FESTOONS OF FLOWERS
Festoons of blooms will be used to decorate the auditorium. But only those near the Royal boxes will be real, as the scent would otherwise be too overpowering.

Yemen of the Guard in their picturesque Tudor uniforms will line the grand staircase as the King and Queen and their guests arrive.

If precedent is followed the entire Opera House will be at the disposal of the King and Queen and their guests. Price and the position of seats will make no difference and stalls and gallery will be occupied by royal guests. As in the past, royal permission will be given for some boxes and seats to be sold. But the prices will be high.

PROGRAMME CHOSEN
The great boxes will occupy almost the whole of the grand tier, the cen-

tral one being for the King and Queen and M. and Mme. Lebrun. On either side will be members of the Diplomatic Corps and their wives and leaders of the Government.

In the past the foyer on the first floor has served as an ante-room to the royal box, and it is anticipated that this arrangement will be repeated.

The King and Queen have chosen the programme, which will be provided by the Vic-Wells Ballet and the London Philharmonic Orchestra. Like their foreign guests, their Majesties keenly enjoy ballet.

SILK LANDMARK

MT. PLEASANT, O.
A building in which the first American silk was grown has been ordered razed by the state fire marshal. Built in 1942 by John W. Gill, the structure served as a place for development of silk worm cocoons.



COLONEL WEARS A HAT—Here's Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, right, in an unusual situation. He's wearing a hat. Besides that fact, instead of boarding an airplane, he's going aboard the English Channel boat at Dover, England, to return to Paris, where he and his family live temporarily. The American airman has been studying European aviation.



Manufacturers couldn't make bathing suits much briefer, so they're producing them in partially transparent material. Patricia Lee, Earl Carroll's nomination for "Miss America," is showing one she planned to wear at the forthcoming Los Angeles spring fashion show.

Smoking In Bed Denial At Inquest

WHEELED in an invalid chair to a Newcastle inquest recently a man heard the jury find that a boarding-house fire which caused five deaths started in his room and that he was intoxicated at the time.

The man, William Ferguson, a boarder, whose head and throat were bandaged, was brought to give evidence from Newcastle Infirmary, where he has been detained with injuries received in the fire which occurred at Leazes Terrace, Newcastle.

"BED ON FIRE"

Ferguson told the coroner (Sir Alfred Appleby): "I came home about one o'clock, or it may have been two, in the morning.

"There was a fire in my room grate and I blazed it up by opening the 'fret'.

"I then closed the door, left the room, and made a cup of tea. Returning to my room, I was met by smoke and flames and intense heat. The fire seemed to be behind the door and my bed seemed to be on fire. I gave the alarm and was then overcome."

Ferguson added: "I was slightly under the influence of drink. I had had a few drinks, but I knew what I was doing."

SMOKING DENIAL

He denied smoking in bed. "I was not smoking during the few minutes I was in my room," he said.

The jury's verdict was that they were satisfied that the fire started in Ferguson's room, that he was intoxicated at the time, but that there was not sufficient evidence to show how the fire started.

READS 50 BOOKS

RITTMAN, O.
Six-year-old Ben Rediger, starting to school for the first time, appears a little bored while his classmates struggle with elementary reading. Ben, a veteran, has been reading ever since he was 4, and in the past year has averaged one book a week.

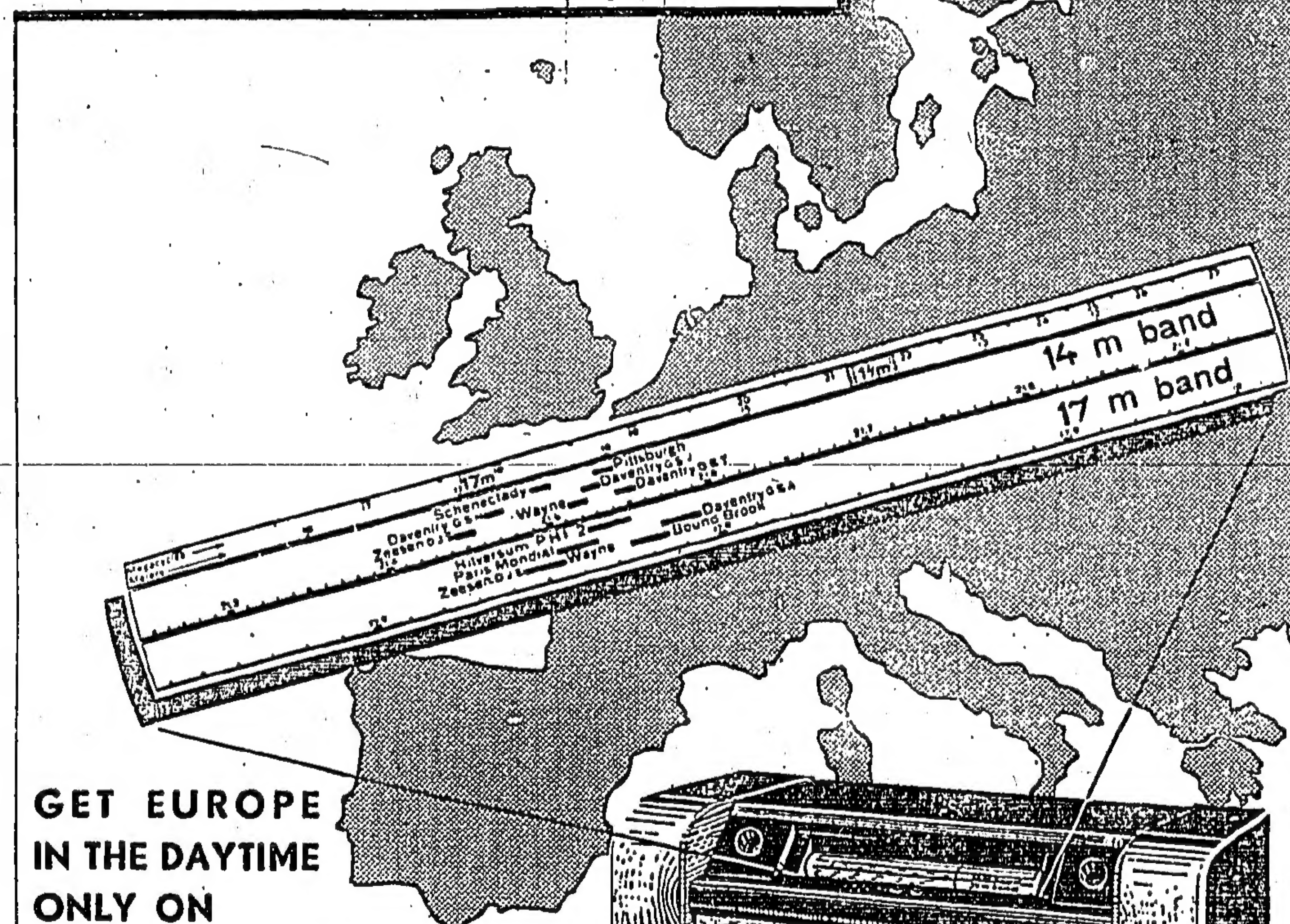
CLEAN OUT YOUR STOMACH

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There are some people who never really enjoy their food because no matter how long ago it was since they last had a meal, they always feel "full up." Some feel as though a lump were lodged in the middle of their chests—others as though their stomachs were blown out like a balloon with wind and gas.

This is because the food from their last meal has not been completely digested, and remains behind in the stomach, turning bad and forming acid and evil gases. Food must be digested and cleaned right out of the stomach after every meal, if you are to feel ready to eat at the proper time. If you suffer in this way, take a dose of Maclean Brand Stomach Powder after eating. It will help you to digest all your food in the proper way, prevent the formation of too much acid and unhealthy gas, and clear poisonous waste gently out of the system. Wind, flatulence, heartburn all go if you take this scientific remedy. Even such serious ills as gastric and duodenal ulcer have been ended by Maclean Brand Stomach Powder. Get a bottle to-day—but make sure you really do get the genuine Maclean Brand Stomach Powder with the signature "ALEX. C. MACLEAN" on bottle and carton. Never sell loose powder or tablets. Cheap imitations may make your trouble worse. If you have any difficulty in obtaining it from your local chemist or store, write to Maclean & Co., P.O. Box 700, Hong Kong.

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QUEEN'S

SATURDAY
ALHAMBRA

The King Will Take His Crown To Canada The Queen Will Wear Hers Too—With Koh-i-noor

Fashion Secrets Closely Kept

WHEN the King and Queen go to Canada in the spring it has been decided that they shall take royal crowns with them. This will be the first time in history that British Crown Jewels have crossed the Atlantic.

Most likely the crown to be taken by the King will be the Imperial State Crown, which has been altered to suit and which he has already worn three times.

It contains a pair of Queen Elizabeth's earrings and the romantic Stuart sapphire, smuggled out of the country by James II, and restored to the Crown years afterwards.

The Queen's crown which she will take has the Koh-i-noor diamond set in it.

It is made of platinum and set entirely with diamonds. It has detachable arches so that it can be worn as an open coronet.

The Queen will be able to detach the Koh-i-noor from her crown and wear it on other occasions pinned to her dress.

SPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR THE QUEEN

An interesting tradition about this famous stone, and one always respected by the Royal Family, is that it must be worn only by a woman for fear of an ancient curse. Tremendous efforts are being made both from Canada and the United States to penetrate the closely guarded secrets of the dresses which have been specially designed for the Queen. As much as £1,000 has been offered for a model of one dress.

No details are to be made known until the Queen actually appears in them, but this much is hinted—they will launch new vogues.

The Queen will take fifty gowns and coats with her and a hat for each day ensemble. On some days she will wear three different outfits, and the crown schedule demands that these changes shall be made with the maximum speed possible.

SO EFFECTIVE ON PARIS VISIT

Here is a forecast of the trends which the Queen's clothes will follow: Colours will include no black, but some black and white, a good

deal of the white, which proved so effective on the Paris visit, several shades of blue, which has been her favourite colour from girlhood, and pastel tints.

Daytime lines will be based on neat defined waists, flared skirts and shorter hemlines.

"Garden party" gowns will be included, some short sleeved to be worn with elbow-length gloves.

For summer dresses modernist designs are ruled out; natural flower patterns will be featured.

Hats, while actually fairly flat, will be built up in the crown to give an impression of height. This effect will be achieved partly by artificial flowers so natural that they could be mistaken for the real thing instead of by feather trimmings such as the Queen has been wearing lately.

Fur trimmings will be less in evidence than in the past, but the Queen will take with her several handsome furs.

A marked difference is anticipated between the clothes designed for Canada and those to be worn in the U.S.A.

The reason for this is that Canadians have expressed the wish that their Queen shall look as "regal" as possible, while in the United States the King and Queen will be regarded as the head of a friendly State and his consort rather than as state-visiting royalty.

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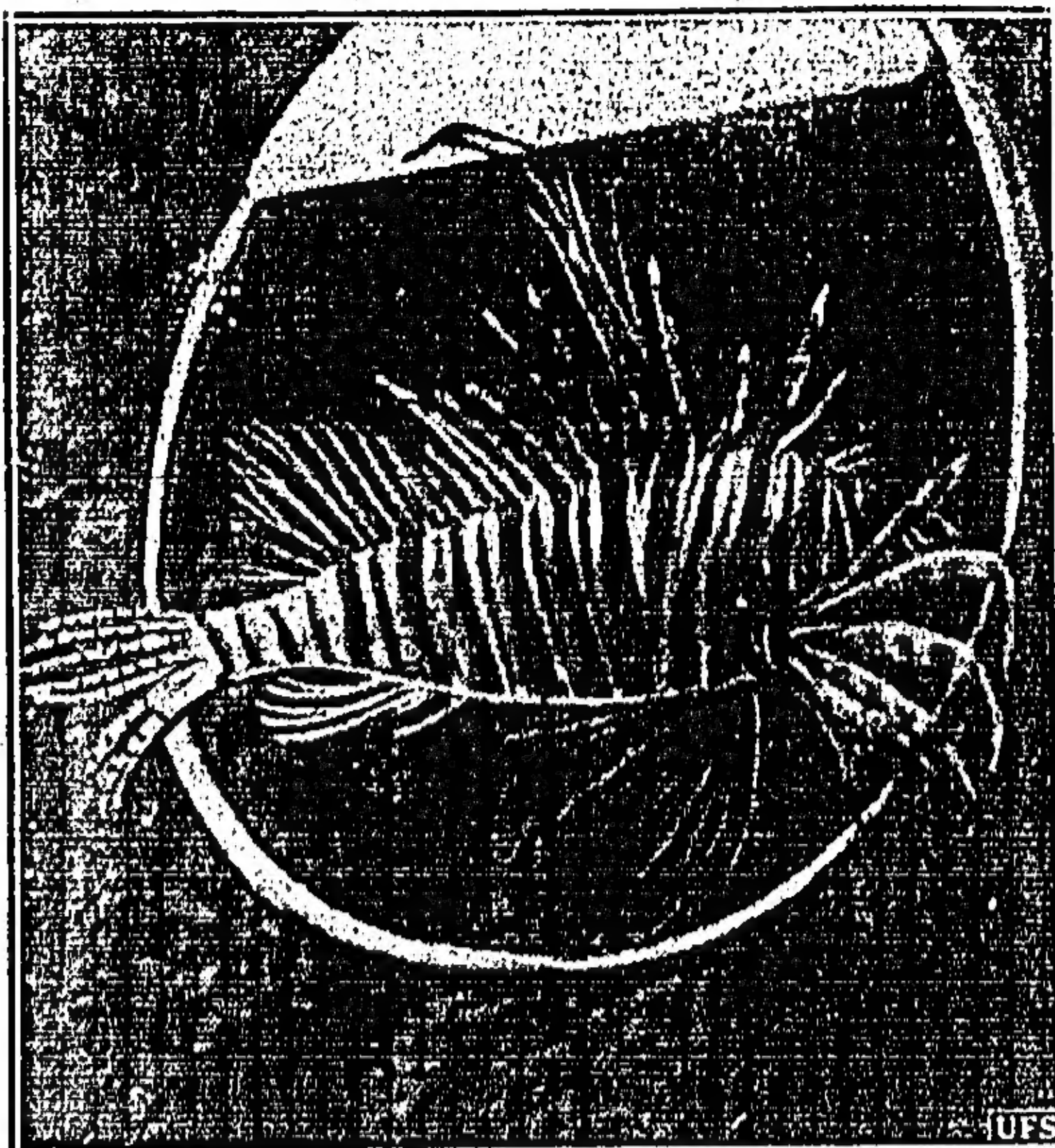
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FISH LEAP'S LOOP—Dr. Mieczyslaw Oxner, ichthyologist at Monte Carlo aquarium, asserts that fish have intelligence. To prove it, he exhibits a scorpion-fish, which he has trained to leap through a hoop, as above.

Girls Told Don't Wed Old Men

LONDON business girls, sitting in Christ Church, Westminster, S.W., recently, heard solemn warnings against—

Marrying men much older than themselves. Marrying foreigners; and Keeping on with their jobs after marriage.

The speaker was Mrs. Helma Norman, B.A., senior practising woman barrister. She is married to Mr. Gavin B. W. Clark (says "Who's Who"), but retains her maiden surname as her legal name.

The occasion a special lunch-hour address arranged by the Alliance of Honour.

UNSUCCESSFUL

"My heart sinks every time I see a story in the newspapers about a May and December marriage," Mrs. Norman said, when talking about things that tend to break up marriage.

"It is against the law of Nature for a young woman to marry an aged man. Such marriages are often unsuccessful."

"It is our duty to stop them, and we can do so by showing our disapproval of such weddings when they seem likely to take place within our own circle of friends. My advice would be to try to prevent such a marriage from taking place."

A middle-aged woman sitting next to her said "Heaven" under her breath (writes "Daily Herald" reporter), and the younger ones looked solemn.

NEW GIRL FRIEND

Young wives who insist on keeping on their jobs after marriage, even when their husbands object, are warned that this might lead to trouble, unless they are brilliant professional or scientific women.

"I hear a lot about this in my profession," said Mrs. Norman, confidentially.

"Not long ago there was the case of a young wife who got a job 30 miles from her home. She saw her young husband only at week-ends, and then she was surprised when she discovered he had found a new girl friend and she had to divorce him."

Girls who are thinking of marrying foreigners got a warning too.

"Don't do it unless you are perfectly sure that you understand each other in every way," was the advice to them.

WAGES OF WIVES?

Two elderly women sitting in front of me looked crestfallen when they were told that Mrs. Norman does not agree with wages for wives.

"Such an idea is all against the spirit of marriage," said Mrs. Norman, who told them that marriage is an equal partnership.

"I think it would be wrong to advocate putting wives on the same level as a paid employee with this difference, that she has a contract for life and cannot be dismissed."

"It would lower the whole marriage institution, and women would, in the end, suffer for it."

EMPIRE NEWS

FLIER WHO SET UP A RECORD KILLED

Calcutta.

Lt. Pulowsky, the German airman who in December claimed to have set up a long-distance record by flying from Benghazi, Tripoli, to Gaya, Bihar, British India, was killed at Madras recently.

He was giving a demonstration flight with an Indian, Mr. Ratnam, as passenger, and the crash took place shortly after the plane had left the aerodrome. Mr. Ratnam died from his injuries.

Lt. Pulowsky and Lt. Jenett, his companion on the record flight, were returning to Berlin leisurely from Australia.

Sandbags.—The Indian Jute Mills Association states that it has no knowledge of a further large order for sandbags reported to have been given by Britain.

Congress and League.—A Congress resolution for India's immediate withdrawal from the League of Nations, because the League had failed to implement the Sanctions article of the Covenant, and Britain had persisted in following a wrong policy in Palestine, was passed by the Legislative Assembly by 55 votes to 45.

India's membership of the League is a matter over which the Legislature under the present Constitution has no authority.—*Reuter.*

SOUTH AFRICA

LORD MARLEY ON HIS BANNED BROADCAST

Johannesburg.

Lord Marley commented recently on the refusal of the South African Broadcasting Corporation to allow him to broadcast his address on "Refugees and the International Situation."

Anyone, he said, who read the statement he proposed to make with an open mind would agree that it was so concerned with the facts that it became a matter of public interest and was not in any sense a political commentary.

Defence Register.—Mr. Pirow, Minister of Defence, stated in the House of Assembly recently that his department was considering in what way the Defence Act could be supplemented by voluntary assistance.

This would necessitate the establishment of special units.

AUSTRALIA

BRITAIN'S SHORTAGE OF SHIPS

Sydney.

Earl Beatty stated in an interview recently, on his arrival from New Zealand, that Britain had 2,000 fewer merchant ships than she had in 1914.

He doubted, he said, whether she had sufficient ships for her needs in the event of a war crisis. The building up of the British Merchant Marine was an essential part of the Empire rearmament programme.

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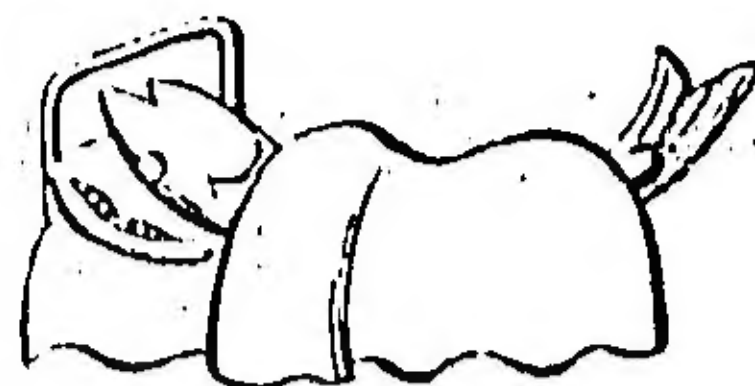
Test shoes were issued to a number of people in various occupations, and their effect on health studied.

The experiments are to be continued and results tabulated.

DO FISH SLEEP?

We are genuinely sorry for our goldfish. He has nowhere to lie down, except on the hard glass floor of his little bowl. And he yawns all day long, as if even the crispest ant's egg would bore him to tears.

The one great advantage of being a fish is that a fish has no hips. How cruel to one's hips is an unyielding mattress!



The Trout that wouldn't rise.

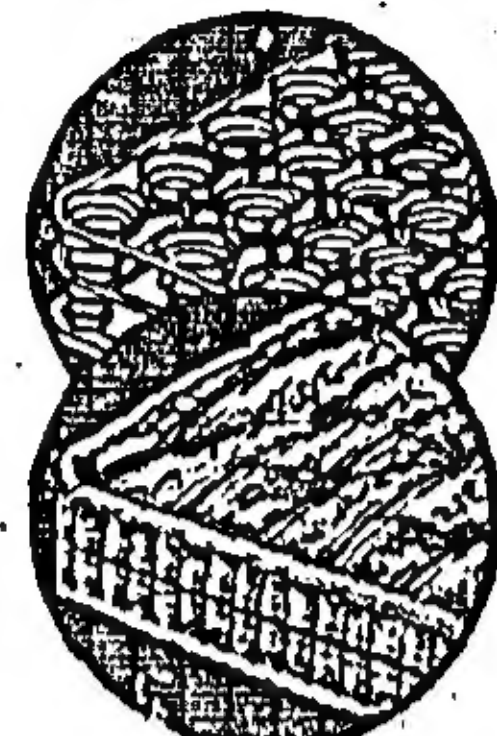
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WAGES OF WIVES?

Two elderly women sitting in front of me looked crestfallen when they were told that Mrs. Norman does not agree with wages for wives.

"Such an idea is all against the spirit of marriage," said Mrs. Norman, who told them that marriage is an equal partnership.

"I think it would be wrong to advocate putting wives on the same level as a paid employee with this difference, that she has a contract for life and cannot be dismissed."

"It would lower the whole marriage institution, and women would, in the end, suffer for it."

NEW GIRL FRIEND

Young wives who insist on keeping on their jobs after marriage, even when their husbands object, are warned that this might lead to trouble, unless they are brilliant professional or scientific women.

"I hear a lot about this in my profession," said Mrs. Norman, confidentially.

"Not long ago there was the case of a young wife who got a job 30 miles from her home. She saw her young husband only at week-ends, and then she was surprised when she discovered he had found a new girl friend and she had to divorce him."

Girls who are thinking of marrying foreigners got a warning too.

"Don't do it unless you are perfectly sure that you understand each other in every way," was the advice to them.

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BRITAIN'S DEFENCE

Air Force Strength Deters Aggression

LONDON, Mar. 15. NATIONAL DEFENCE was the subject of an important speech by Lord Chatfield in the House of Lords to-day in his reply to the debate on this question.

He emphasised Mr. Chamberlain's recent declaration that our policy of defence did not mean that we did not intend to have both the will and the means to strike back if we were attacked.

There was a time when the problem of dealing with the bomber was regarded with something like despair; such a feeling was no longer justified, if ever it was.

Developments in recent years had undoubtedly reduced the old supremacy of the offensive over the defensive in air warfare, and he assured the House that none of the components of air defence was being neglected.

The strength of the fighting force was being extremely augmented, counter-offensive force had also been the subject of equally careful scrutiny, and measures to strengthen it were also actively in hand.

BEST IN WORLD

The latest types of bombers now being delivered to the air force were believed to be the best in the world. "The Government is determined to build up counter-offensive forces of such a strength as they may, in conjunction with the fighter aircraft and batteries, deter an aggressor from attacking us at all, or if it should unhappily fail to do this, will give us all the necessary means for attack as well as defence."

JACK TARS OF AIR

Lord Chatfield added: "I am convinced that just as we have been able over many centuries to rely confidently on our sailors to seek out and destroy the fleet of the enemy, so we shall be able in the future, with our airmen supported on the land by our soldiers, to defend similarly these islands from the air fleets of an aggressor."—*Reuter*.

ANGLO-FRENCH CO-OPERATION

London, Mar. 15. Replying to questions, Mr. Geoffrey Shackleton, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, declared in the House of Commons to-day, that if Britain and France found themselves allied in any future war, it was contemplated that naval co-operation would be complete. Conversations had already begun between the respective naval staffs, and were being continued.—*Reuter*.

Burglars Climb Scaffolding

A daring burglary occurred in the office of the China Plant-Oil Lamp Company, in the S. C. M. Post building in the early hours of this morning.

Entry was obtained by breaking the glass window, the burglars climbing scaffolding which has been erected for the purpose of renovating the building.

A quantity of radio apparatus and machine tools was stolen. The culprits used two waste-paper baskets to carry away the loot. The value of the stolen property has not yet been ascertained.

GERMANY ASKED TO EXPLAIN

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military occupation of the whole of Czechoslovakia avoided last September. Munich might have had a great influence on the European situation, but its spirit died."—*Reuter*.

JAPANESE COMMENT

Tokyo, Mar. 15. The Japanese press interprets Germany's new move as another step in her drive East.

The newspaper "Asahi Shimbun" declares that "Stalin seriously miscalculated when, in his speech to the Communist Congress, he declared that Germany had changed her Eastern drive to a Western one. The menace will be most keenly felt by Poland and Rumania."—*Reuter*.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST HONG KONG

Two Free Lectures in Christian Science will be given on Thursday, 25th May and Saturday, 27th May, next by Mr. Peter V. Rosa C.S.B. Detailed particulars will be published in due course.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of the Company, 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 27th March, 1939, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from 16th to 27th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK,
Chief Manager.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

The Seventieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the underigned on Friday, the 24th March, 1939, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 10th to the 24th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY FRIDAY—17th MARCH, 1939.

A wreath will be laid at the GENOTAPH by the President and Committee of St. Patrick's Society, at 11.00 a.m.

Members of the Society and their friends are asked to assemble under the verandah at the North side of the Supreme Court prior to the ceremony.

ST. PATRICK'S BALL PENINSULA HOTEL—9.30 p.m.

Members of St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong and their guests are informed that there will be a Special FIVE MINUTES Service of "STAR" FERRIES from HONG KONG to KOWLOON between 9.00 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. on 17th March and SPECIAL FERRIES from KOWLOON to HONG KONG at 2.00 a.m., 2.45 a.m. and 3.15 a.m. on the following mornings. The last ordinary Ferry leaves at 1.15 a.m.

A BUFFET SUPPER will be served from 11.30 p.m. to 1.30 a.m. Tables may be booked with the Management of the Peninsula Hotel before 7.00 p.m. on the night of the Ball.

Admission to the Ball is by ticket only which is to be presented at the MAIN ENTRANCE to the Hotel.

Tickets may be obtained from Mr. P. J. A. Hamilton, Hon. Treasurer, P.O. Box 417 or Harbour View Hotel, Chatham Road, Kowloon.

B. H. C. HALLOWES,
Hon. Secretary,
St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong,
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THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager,
Hongkong, 4th March, 1939.

G. R. 1939-1940.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the Royal Naval Hospital, until 10 a.m. on the 21st March, 1939, from persons desirous of supplying Beef, Mutton, Fowls, Pork, Cheese, Pure Cow's Milk, Ice, and other provisions and necessities, for the year ending 31st March, 1940.

Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the Royal Naval Hospital.

The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.

G. V. HOBBS,
Surgeon Captain,
Medical Officer in Charge,
Royal Naval Hospital,
Hong Kong,
15th March, 1939.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 20th day of March, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Cheung Sha Wan, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2639	Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 221, Fook Wing St. Cheung Sha Wan	N. 100 feet, S. 100 feet, E. 100 feet, W. 100 feet	As per sale plan.	About 7,000	\$86
						\$4,200

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2	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2124	Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 221, Fook Wing St. Cheung Sha Wan	N. 100 feet, S. 100 feet, E. 100 feet, W. 100 feet	As per sale plan.	About 1,235	\$24
						\$1,245

PRUNES AND RAISINS

San Jose, Cal. California always has an excess production of prunes and welcomes any suggestion that will dispose of them. The last one comes from the California Dried Fruit Research Bureau, which has found that chopped prunes improve the texture and richness of mincemeat, without, however, reducing the amount of raisins as California also has raisins to sell.

G. R.

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3	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2640	Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1422, Ngau Shi Wan	N. 100 feet, S. 100 feet, E. 100 feet, W. 100 feet	As per sale plan.	About 30,400	\$210
						\$5,050

GERMAN TROOPS COMPLETE OCCUPATION OF CZEKIA

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appointed head of the civil administration within the area of the Third Army Group. On my behalf he undertakes the task of supervision of the entire public administration, including that in Prague.

"The work of public administration continues as usual unless it is decided otherwise. This applies also to the departments of police, post offices and to public services of all kinds. Entire economic activity continues

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4	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2641	Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 1423, Ngau Shi Wan	N. 100 feet, S. 100 feet, E. 100 feet, W. 100 feet	As per sale plan.	About 20,000	\$275
						\$20,000

ANTI-GERMAN DEMONSTRATIONS

Belgrade, Mar. 15. Continuous anti-German demonstrations took place in the Terzija, which is the main street in Belgrade to-night.

Crowds, singing national songs, marched towards the palace with banners of "Long live the King, the Army, and Czechoslovakia."—*Reuter*.



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STOCKS: February machine tool orders were the highest since September, 1937.

The plate-glass output in February was 282 per cent. over the corresponding month of last year.

Rural retail sales were the highest since 1920. Herr Hitler's latest coup has intensified Anglo-French armaments.

COTTON: The Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Henry Wallace, says that the United States will soon be entering the world cotton market on a competitive basis. An export subsidy is practically certain.

WHEAT: It is reported that Germany may sell the wheat acquired from the Argentine by barter arrangements.

SUGAR: Buying spurts followed the advance in prices.

POST OFFICE.

INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due.
Straits, Manila and London Parcels		
—(London date, 2nd February)...	Ajax	March 16.
Japan and Shanghai	Aramis	March 16.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 8th March.	Imperial Airways Plane	March 16.
U.S.A., Honolulu and Japan (San Francisco date, 18th February)	Pres. Garfield	March 16.
Japan and Shanghai	Rawalpindi	March 16.
Shanghai and Amoy	Sinkiang	March 16.
Straits	Somali	March 16.
Japan	Bokuyo Maru	March 17.
Haiphong	Canlon	March 17.
Shanghai	Joyere	March 17.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kaiyo Maru	March 17.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco date, 10th March.	Pan American Airways plane	March 17.
Manila	Pleasantville	March 17.
Haiphong, Pakhoi and Fort Bayard	Szechuen	March 17.
Tientsin and Swatow	Yingchow	March 17.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time.
Thursday		
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 23rd March	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., Mar. 16. K.F.O. Mar. 16, 5 p.m. Ord., Mar. 16, 5.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due Sydney, 25th March	Imperial Airways Plane	Thurs., Mar. 16. K.F.O. Mar. 16, 5 p.m. Ord., Mar. 16, 5.30 p.m.
Manila, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island, 28th March.	Parcels	Thurs., Mar. 16. K.F.O. Mar. 16, 5 p.m. Reg., Mar. 16, 5 p.m. Ord., Mar. 16, 5.30 p.m.
Salmon	Parcels	Thurs., Mar. 16. K.F.O. Mar. 16, 5 p.m. Reg., Mar. 16, 5 p.m. Ord., Mar. 16, 5.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Central and South America via Vancouver B.C., and (Parcels and Papers only for Canada)—due Vancouver B.C., 4th April	Emp. of Japan	Thurs., Mar. 16. K.F.O. Mar. 16, 5 p.m. Reg., Mar. 16, 5 p.m. Ord., Mar. 16, 5.30 p.m.
Friday		
Shanghai, Japan and Europe (except Great Britain and Elre (via Siberia).	Corfu	Fri., Mar. 17. 8.30 a.m.
Manila	Pres. Garfield	Fri., Mar. 17. 10.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard	Chang	Fri., Mar. 17. 1.30 p.m.
Tientsin	Dahpu	Fri., Mar. 17. 3.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Indo-China, Iran and Air France Plane	Air France Plane	Fri., Mar. 17. K.F.O.
France (Paris and Northern Provinces only) by the "Air France Airways Direct Service"	Reg.	Mar. 17. 5.00 p.m. Ord., Mar. 17. 5.30 p.m.
Air Mail for Manila, Guam, Honolulu and U.S.A. by the "Pan-American Airways Direct Service"—due San Francisco, 24th March.	Pan American Airways Plane	Fri., Mar. 17. K.F.O. Mar. 17, 5 p.m. Ord., Mar. 17, 5.30 p.m.
	Reg.	Mar. 17, 5 p.m. Ord., Mar. 18, 7.30 a.m.

"I BITTERLY REGRET," SAYS CHAMBERLAIN

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time to time, the objects I have in mind are of great significance to the happiness of mankind."

DAY OF HUMILIATION

Mr. D. R. Grenfell (Lab) declared that it was a day of humiliation and shame for Britain.

"We have allowed the truth to be set," he declared. "We have allowed violence to take the place of reason and justice, and violence has triumphed."

"Mr. Chamberlain, in his simplicity of mind, believed that the undertakings at Munich were given in good faith. The Premier had said so."

"Czechoslovakia has now been occupied in the same manner as it would have been if there had been no Munich."

"We were now entering upon a period of immediate and terrible danger."

"To-morrow, it might be Poland, who will be at an immense military disadvantage. Hungary can be overwhelmed in hours. Rumania is on the way."

Sir Archibald Sinclair, leader of the Liberal Opposition, declared that it was not the independence of Slovakia which had been proclaimed, but the dependence of Slovakia on Germany.

In the course of a later speech by Mr. Anthony Eden, the Premier in-

Air Services To Orient

Night Flying To Aid Speed-Up

LONDON, Mar. 15.

QUESTIONED IN THE House of Commons by Mr. H. Day regarding the differences in the timings of Imperial Airways and K.L.M., between London and Singapore, Captain H. H. Balfour, Under-Secretary of State for Air, stated that it was intended to speed-up the Empire services time-table progressively by the extension of night flying, and the provision of aircraft.

Production orders had already been placed. Asked if any new machines had been constructed, Captain Balfour replied there were 14 new civil types of aircraft being constructed by Faircy, and probably, when completed in 1941 or 1942, would be used on this and other routes.—*Reuter*.

He declared that Mr. Hudson's visit to Warsaw, Moscow and Helsinki would be paid. The announcement was received with cheers.—*Reuter*.



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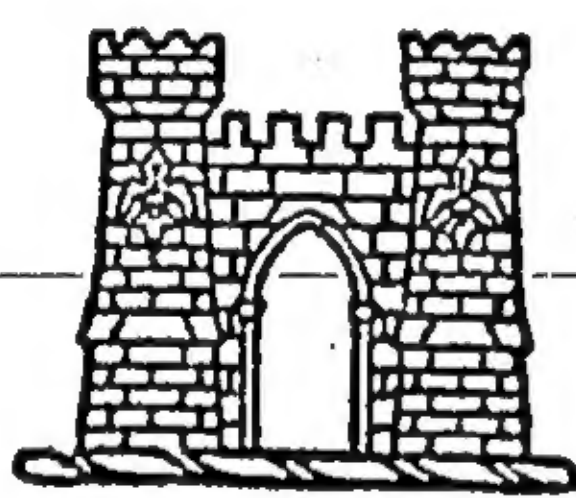
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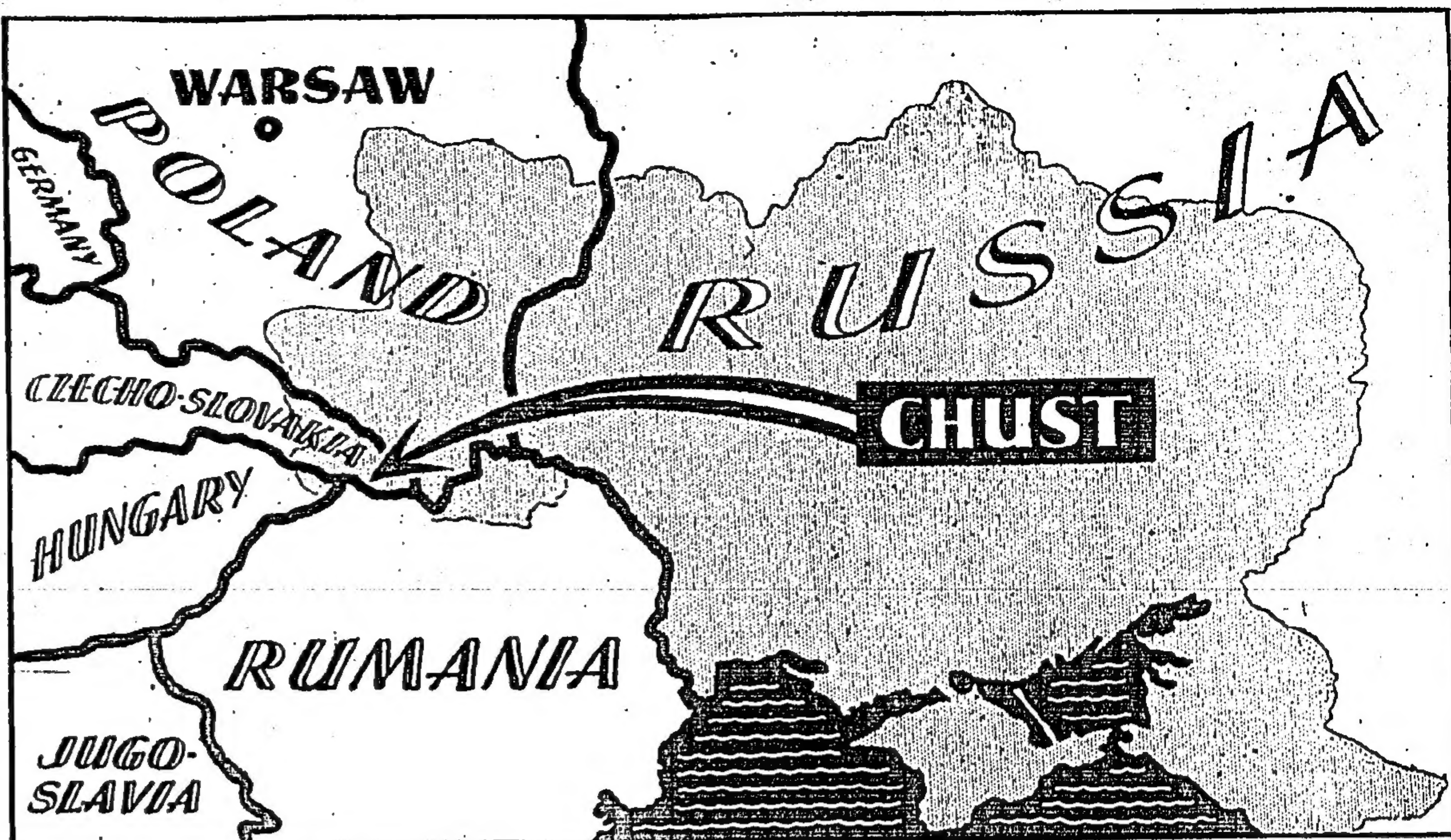
THE FULL RESULTS of what
happened at Munich are now
manifest. They confirm fears ex-
pressed at the time. Czechoslovakia
is now what Hitler set
out to make it—part of the Greater
Reich.

The unfortunate Republic, born
of the Great War, may be likened
to a human corpse. The arms
were amputated in September, the
head is now severed and becomes
a German trophy; Hungary takes
the Ruthenian legs. There re-
mains but the torso of Slovakia,
which becomes, in all but name,
a vassal State of Germany.

In accepting the "advice" of
Great Britain and France in
September last, Czechoslovakia
sealed her fate. True, there
would have been war—a war on
a terrifying scale into which the
whole of Europe would have been
dragged—but Czechoslovakia, in
the light of subsequent events,
could hardly have been the loser.
Like Belgium in 1914 she would
have paid dearly in the blood of
her patriots, but she would have
gained honour and freedom for
her children. Out of Belgium's
sorrow and torment of the four
years of Great War emerged a
country free and unshackled,
honoured by the democracies of
the world for the part she played
in defending Right against Might
and, indeed, defended by those
democracies for her steadfast
resolution to uphold her integrity.

The events of the past six
months have been planned and
consummated by Germany with
almost diabolical ease. There is
no doubt but that war would have
come to Europe had Herr Hitler
attempted to fulfil his territorial
ambitions in Czechoslovakia in
one fell swoop. There was firstly
the Godesburg Agreement, an-
nounced as the extreme limit of
concession to which Mr. Chamber-
lain and M. Daladier were pre-
pared to accede. Czechoslovakia
was told to accept these demands
or forfeit the support and friend-
ship of her guarantors. But
Godesburg was followed by
Munich, which exceeded Hitler's
original demands. Mr. Chamber-
lain and M. Daladier acquiesced
in the extra grab. Yesterday's
events were a natural sequel
predicted to the very date by
newspaper correspondents who,
only two days ago, were chided by
Lord Halifax for spreading
"sensational and inaccurate fore-
casts of events about to take place
in Europe."

You cannot read the news about
Czechoslovakia without feeling
that dirty taste in your mouth.



Village all Europe is watching

UNTIL a few months
ago Chust was just a
mountain village.
Now it is Europe's newest
capital, and its handful of
broken-down victorias—
there are no such things as
taxis—are working over-
time carrying all sorts of
imposing personages
through the muddy streets.

The streets are so muddy that on
rainy days cabs and carts often get
stuck altogether, and people walking
find themselves ankle-deep in the
mud.

Most of the days seem rainy.
There are only two inns in the
village. They are full to over-flow-
ing.

The Government building is just
the old urban district council offices.
It has three storeys and is the highest
building in the village. It is even
built of stone.

Of the newcomers to the village,
two stand out. They are the Ger-
man general of Germany and Italy,
sent there when, after Munich, Chust
became the capital of the new auto-
nomous province of Carpatho-
Ukraine. You used to know it as
Ruthenia.

Other people followed these two
to Chust. A connoisseur of Euro-
pean underground politics would
have recognised them easily. They
were all experts in espionage, civil
war, gang warfare, intrigue and
bribery.

The 20,000 inhabitants of Chust
slowly woke up to their new im-
portance. To begin with, they got
new aerodrome and the villagers
looked with surprise at the big shiny
German Junker planes that began to
cruise overhead.

What has made Hitler insist on
refusing to divide Carpatho-Ukraine,
with its little capital at Chust, be-
tween Hungary and Poland? Why is
Chust so full of ambassadors and
secret agents?

Anti-Russia Moves

The answer to these questions
takes us back to the days when the
Tsar ruled in Russia and when deep
underground—men were fighting for
the independence of the Ukraine.

The Tsar would have none of such
men. He sent the leaders off to pri-
son-camps in Siberia when he caught
them. Those who escaped him fled
abroad and settled in fringes of
Ukrainian territory which belonged
to the Austrian Empire.

There they set up a "Ukrainian In-
formation Office" and carried on
anti-Russian activities.

When the Tsar collapsed and the
Bolsheviks came to power, these
Ukrainian "separatists" thought that
their moment had come.

They formed an "Association for
the Liberation of the Ukraine and
the Destruction of Russia," moved
into Russo-Ukrainian territory, elect-
ed a Central Committee in Kiev and
proclaimed the independence of the
Ukraine.

Petljura The Terrible

They had the support of many re-
actionary, anti-Bolshevik elements.
Naturally the Soviets did not want
to lose the rich wheatfields of the
Ukraine. They fought back, but
were repulsed by invading German
and Austrian troops, who protected
the independent Ukraine and sup-
ported the first Hetman (leader),
Skoropadski, a Cossack general.

But then came the defeat of Ger-
many and Austria in the Great War.
Skoropadski had to make way for a
new Hetman more friendly with the
Entente Powers. The new Hetman
was Petljura the Terrible.

Petljura started off in a big way.
In a proclamation he announced the
union of the Russian Ukraine with
the "Western Ukrainians" who had
been part of the Austrian Empire.
His proclamation included in the new
Ukrainian State part of Galicia,
Bukovina, Bessarabia and Carpatho-
Russia.

The memory of Petljura's rule is
still horrible in the Ukraine.
As a persecutor of the Jews he
dwarfed Hitler and Julius Streicher.
As he had on trial in Paris for
murdering the oppressor he explain-
ed simply to the jury: "Twelve of my
near blood-relatives were killed by
this man's orders."

Later, Petljura paid for his crimes.
Long after his dreams of a Great
Ukraine had evaporated into the air,
he lived in Paris, an exile. There,
in 1920, he was seen in the street,
shot and killed by a Polish-Jewish
poet named Shalom Schwartzbard.

Schwartzbard was a remarkable
fellow. Originally a watchmaker, he
left his native town of Smolensk in
Poland as a young man and went to
France. He fought in the French
Army during the War.

But in 1917 he left France and
went to join the Bolshevik armies in
Russia.

There the horror of Petljura's
pogroms ate into his heart. When
he was put on trial in Paris for
murdering the oppressor he explain-
ed simply to the jury: "Twelve of my
near blood-relatives were killed by
this man's orders."

Schwartzbard was acquitted, and
Petljura denounced. All France
said, "Not the murderer but the vic-
tim was guilty."

Schwartzbard died in Cape Town
last March.

That was how Petljura came to an
end. But his idea of an independent
Ukraine came to an end long before.
There was no real desire for inde-
pendence among the Ukrainians.

The Soviets were able to recon-
quer the old Russian province of
Ukraine. The peace treaties gave
Western Ukraine to the new Polish
State. Bessarabia and Bukovina
went to Rumania; and Carpatho-
Russia, formerly a part of Hungary,
went to Czechoslovakia.

So five countries got their share of
Petljura's Ukrainian dream State:
Russia, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Ru-
mania and Hungary.

Everything might have settled
down if the Ukraine had not become
one of the chief objects of Hitler's
expansionist plans.

Hitler backs the idea of an inde-
pendent Ukrainian State, because in
that way he would deprive Russia of
her richest territory, and divide up
Poland and subjugated Czechoslovakia.

Hitler's Real Object

An office was created, this time in
Danzig, called the "Central Commit-
tee for the Establishment of an In-
dependent Ukraine." A former
Ukrainian Tzarist general, Ziellinski,
is in charge of this office.

From the Danzig headquarters the
Central Committee began to stir up
Ukrainian Nationalist feeling in Po-
land. Ukrainian stormtroops were
formed on the lines of the old illegal
Austrian S.A.

A complete military and political
organisation was built up. Officers
and men were given uniforms.
These resemble the German storm-
troop uniforms, but are grey-blue in
colour instead of brown. The
Ukrainian stormtroops are called
Slezky Guards (Sharp-shooters).

For years Ziellinski has carried on
his work, building up this organisa-
tion. At first he worked in secret,
because Germany and Poland were
supposed to be on good terms with
one another.

Now he has come out in the open
with his men. They were put to of-
ficial use for the first time after the
Munich agreement. In Carpatho-
Ukraine Slezky Guards do police duty
to-day.

Now you see why Hitler has
insisted on an autonomous Ukrainian
State. Chust is to be the spring-board
of future Ukrainian developments.
Ziellinski has moved his Central Com-
mittee to Chust. Supported and
financed from Germany, he is the
man chosen to lead the pan-
Ukrainian movement.

He takes his order from Hitler.
And Hitler, following his old practice,
has appointed a Commissioner for the
Ukraine with headquarters in Berlin.
He is Nikolai Suschko, a former officer
in Petljura's army.

What is the point of the Berlin
Bureau? and of the Central Com-
mittee in Chust? What does Hitler
want them to do?

For the time being terrorist bands
are being organised and armed.
These bands are raiding Polish and
Russian territory.

Already several battles have taken
place. The flags carried by the bands
are blue and gold, like the ones that
fly above Ziellinski's office.

Emissaries of Ziellinski stir up
trouble in the Ukrainian parts of
Poland goading on the people to
demand autonomy for the Polish
Ukraine.

The Polish authorities are fighting
the terrorists, but the story of Austria
and the Sudetenland shows how
difficult it is to stamp out such move-
ments. The Slezky Guards stick to the
tactics used by the illegal stormtroops
in all the countries where Hitler has
planted them.

But Hungary remembers that what
is now Carpatho-Ukraine was once
part of Hungary. And Hungarians
know how to conduct underground
fighting just as well as the Germans.

War Of The Brigands

There is close friendship between
Hungary and Germany just now. So
the fight is waged out of sight ille-
gally, both parties supporting and
financing their brigands and agents
on the quiet.

Hungary has had her agents in
Carpatho-Ukraine for some time.
Some years ago I met one of the most
distinguished Czech journalists in
Vienna. He was introduced to me as
the Editor of a Ruthenian paper,
"Ruska Pravda."

He came to Vienna frequently, and
later I learned that he was the prin-
cipal fighter for Ukrainian indepen-
dence, highly esteemed by his fellow
Ukrainians scattered in various
countries.

He had done much to strengthen
Ukrainian feeling in Czechoslovakia,
in Poland and in Russia. If ever the
dream of an independent Ukrainian
State should come true, he would be
its first Premier. His name was
Alexandre Brody.

I met him again later, and one day
walked with him through the streets
of Vienna, accompanying him to the
Bankgasse. Suddenly he said good-
bye and went on alone. I saw him
enter the building of the Hungarian
Legation.

Not until recently, I must confess,
did I realise that Brody's Hungarian
relations had a deep importance.

After the Munich agreement, when
Ruthenia was declared an auto-
nomous State within the new Czechoslovakia,
the first Premier of this
"Carpatho-Ukraine" was—Alexandre
Brody.

Brody went to Prague to confer
with the Czech Premier, Srovov. He
made surprising demands: a nebelleit
must be held in Carpatho-Ukraine, so
that the population could decide its
own fate. There was no doubt that
such a nebelleit would result in a
vote—out for Czechoslovakia, but
for Hungary.

Srovov jumped to his feet angrily.
Brody, he shouted, was a traitor to
the new Czechoslovakia. "Get out
(Continued on Page 11.)"

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"The first dress I try on you like and want me to buy—Well
You certainly don't know much about shopping, Wilbur!"

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

RUTHENIAN PREMIER IN FLIGHT

Prague, Mar. 15. The new Ruthenian Cabinet headed by M. Volosin as Premier has fled to Rumania. A message from Chust, capital of Ruthenia, quoted a semi-official Hungarian news agency as saying that M. Volosin during the flight was wounded in a clash between the population and his escort, in which there were many casualties. Some of the population in Ruthenia are reported to have fled to Rumania, fearing anarchy.

In view of the important reservation in Prague's reply to Hungary, the latter has taken the view that it is entitled to take the necessary steps to protect its nationals and hence crossed the frontier at several points.—Reuter.

Reply to Ultimatum

Budapest, Mar. 15. The Czech Ambassador in Budapest submitted to the Hungarian Government last night, four hours before the 12 hour ultimatum expired, the reply from the Prague Government. In this reply, the Czech Government undertakes to respect the life and property of the Hungarian minority population and of those Carpatho-Ukrainians who openly express their sympathies for Hungary, but the most important Hungarian demand was not yielded. The Prague Government which informed Hungary that Czech troops would evacuate Carpatho-Russia but refuses to consent to the Hungarian demand for the arming of Hungarian self-defence organizations in Carpatho-Russia. The Hungarian authorities here declare that in the last 24 hours a large number of new reports have again been received from Carpatho-Russia on additional serious Czech offences and acts of terrorism committed against the Hungarian minority and concerning the serious situation prevailing along the frontier. The Hungarian Government must, therefore, ascertain that the so-called Carpatho-Russian Government is incapable or unwilling to maintain order. Consequently the Hungarian Government is forced to take the initiative in order to comply with the demands of the Hungarians living in Carpatho-Russia.—Trans-Ocean.

To Cross the Border

Budapest, Mar. 15. Failing a satisfactory reply to its ultimatum to Prague, Hungary has decided to send its troops into the Carpatho-Ukraine for the purpose of protecting its own national frontiers. Hungary's security is at stake, declare the Budapest newspapers this morning, as long as the problem of Carpatho-Ukraine has not found a final settlement. The great bulk of the inhabitants living in the fertile valleys of the Carpathian mountains, which alone is able to absorb their products.

Hungary can no longer remain inactive in the face of acts of violence perpetrated on her nationals across the border, declares Pester Lloyd.

The disbanded Czech forces are becoming a danger to the frontier. The soil of Carpatho-Ukraine with its wealth of natural resources will furnish existence for 10,000,000 Hungarians.—Trans-Ocean.

Invasion Nears Completion

Budapest, Mar. 15. The ultimatum to Prague gives until 8 p.m. for Volosin to surrender. Hungary claims to have received an appeal for aid from the Central National Committee of Ruthenia, asking Hungary to intervene and restore order.

Hungarian troops, advancing through Ruthenia, are reported to have reached a point 12 miles from the Polish border. They expect to join hands with the Poles at 8 p.m. (G.M.T.).

An unconfirmed report states that Volosin has appealed to Hitler for help against the Hungarians.—Reuter.

Brush With Slovaks

Bratislava, Mar. 15. Invasion of part of east Slovakia by Hungarian troops has elicited a reply from the Slovak War Minister, M. Gattos, in the shape of a decree ordering the mobilisation of the youngest five classes in that region. Hungarian circles here believe, however, that the troops who are marching into Carpatho-Ukraine only accidentally crossed the Slovak frontier at a few places, and that efforts are already being made to bring about a friendly settlement of the incidents.

Hungarian troops have already occupied 30 Ukrainian villages, according to despatches received here, and they are now standing before Raschau. The despatches add, however, that the population assumed a very hostile attitude towards the Hungarians and succeeded in retaking several villages.

The struggle against Hungary is stated to be organized by the military organization of the Carpatho-Ukrainian Nationalist Party. This organization is said to count 10,000 men under the command of Police Major Bilcik.

Other unconfirmed reports received here assert that Polish troops have entered the Zips district in north-east Slovakia.—Trans-Ocean.

Slovakian Preparations

Paris, Mar. 15. Five classes of the Hlinka Guard regiments have been called up by Dr. Tiso, according to a message from Bratislava, in order to secure the integrity of Slovakia's frontiers.

This step is reported to have been taken because the Hungarians in the shape of occupation of Carpatho-Ukraine crossed the Slovak frontier near Sobrance.—Reuter Special.

GERMAN TROOPS IN PRAGUE: SAD CITY JEERS AT INVADERS: HUNGARY'S MOVE

German troops have practically completed the occupation of Czech territory following a meeting between the Czech leaders and Herr Hitler in Berlin. After the conversations it was announced that Nazi troops would march into Czechoslovakia to secure the life and property of all residents. President Macha has given orders that the march must not be resisted.

The dismemberment of Czechoslovakia became complete when Slovakia declared its independence together with Ruthenia where a new cabinet was chosen with the whole of the country in the hands of Ukrainians.

As German troops entered Prague the Czechs clearly showed their hatred of the new regime and a fall of gloom has been cast over the former Czech capital which is now expected to become but a provincial headquarters of the German Reich.

Herr Hitler himself is on his way to Czechoslovakia to take part in the ceremony of occupation, which up to now has been carried out without any serious clashes.

Hungary has practically completed the occupation of Carpathia and now has a common border with Poland, while both Poland and Rumania are taking no action, though evincing great interest.

Bratislava Calm

Bratislava, Mar. 15. A complete calm prevailed here this morning when the people first read in the papers the text of Dr. Tiso's proclamation of the previous day announcing the independence of Slovakia. No reactions either positive or negative are so far noticeable, and the inhabitants are going about their work without giving audible expression to their views or feelings.—Trans-Ocean.

German Troops Coming

Bratislava, Mar. 15. Uncontrollable rumours were circulating through the city that Hungarian and also German troops were expected to march into Bratislava during last night or in the early hours of this morning. The streets were still unchanged at midday. The German troops who marched through the towns and villages in northern Slovakia are said to have passed Sillein, according to reports published to-day in the Pressburg.—Trans-Ocean.

PRAGUE ENTERED

Prague, Mar. 15. The Czech Government has instructed General Prechala to discuss the necessary measures with the Ruthenian authorities. At the same time it is reported that Ukrainian quarters that General Prechala has left Chust. It is rumoured that the General fled to Rumania.

The Carpatho-Ukrainian Government has convened the Diet for to-day in order to put the Anschluss to Hungary to the vote.

An official Czech manifesto, issued over all radio stations last night, also declared that the Prague Government will also concede to all German demands. The manifesto declares that historic and geographic unity binds the Czech State with this has been recognised by the President, Dr. Macha.—Trans-Ocean.

Czechs Disappointed

Prague, Mar. 15. A spokesman of the Government which went into an extraordinary session at 2 a.m. to await the result of the Berlin talks, told Reuter with tears in his eyes that German troops will enter Czech territory at 5 a.m. The Czech army will be disbanded by the German army as they meet.

It is stated that the Berlin talks have ended in failure for the Czechs.—Reuter.

Population Demoralized

Prague, Mar. 15. News of the imminent German occupation has completely demoralized the population. Thousands are trying to get away anywhere. Others who fear the new "protectors" are in hiding. The streets which were deserted throughout the night were unusually animated today. A light fall of snow was morning dawned. Nevertheless the majority apparently soon realised that there is actually nowhere to go as the Germans are expected perhaps from every side. The morale of the Czech people which stood up well in September and October has been completely shattered by the latest events.—United Press.

Directory to Replace Government

Prague, Mar. 15. The Czech cabinet will, it is stated, meet this evening. It is expected that the cabinet will decide to resign and that it will be replaced by a directory.—Trans-Ocean.

Official Statement

Berlin, Mar. 15. In the early hours of this morning the Supreme command of the defence forces in Berlin issued the first official statement about the entry of German troops into what had hitherto been Czech territory, as follows:

"Troops of the German Army commanded by Infantry General Blaskowitz and Infantry General Litzke crossed the German-Czech frontier this morning in their advance on their objectives in Bohemia and Moravia."

"On Tuesday evening units of the Army and parts of the Bodyguard of Adolf Hitler occupied Moravia-Ostrau and Witkowitz."

"Squadrons of the German air arm under leadership of Generals Kesselring and Sperrle and Flight-Lieut.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

hob-knob
hokus-pokus
nick-nack
English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 9.

knicht-erant
mucilage
mucosin

Loehr crossed the German-Czech frontier at the same time.—Trans-Ocean.

German Troops in Prague

Prague, Mar. 15. German troops had reached the outskirts of Prague at 7 a.m. G.M.T. No incidents were reported.—Reuter.

Germans Enter Prague

Prague, Mar. 15. German troops are entering the city, the occupation having commenced at 4.20 a.m. The city is covered with terror.—United Press.

Occupied Town Hall

Prague, Mar. 15. At 8 o'clock this morning armoured cars and guns of the German troops were unloaded at both the main railway stations of Prague. The town hall was at once occupied.

German soldiers who marched from the railway stations through the town were cordially welcomed by the population, particularly Germans.—Trans-Ocean.

Occupation Continues

Berlin, Mar. 15. The Army High Command announced that General Blaskowitz's infantry reached Prague at 10 a.m. It is also announced that German troops have occupied Pilsen and Olmetz despite the snow and icy streets.

The occupation of Maerisch-Ostrau and Witkowitz on Tuesday afternoon, has been confirmed.—United Press.

Hitler to Join Troops

Berlin, Mar. 15. Herr Hitler, who left Berlin early to-day, is joining the German troops advancing into Bohemia and Moravia.—Reuter.

Aviators Warned

Berlin, Mar. 15. Field Marshal Goering to-day issued a decree that an aviator of the Czech State territory west of the line Pressburg-Maerisch-Ostrau has been declared a danger zone, and that aviators are warned not to fly over it.

A further decree was issued declaring the close of the air zone district from Ratislava via Dresden to Regensburg.—Trans-Ocean.

GERMAN TROOPS HISSED IN PRAGUE STREETS

Prague, Mar. 15. Nazi troops have imposed on 8 p.m. curfew, fearing an outbreak of popular hatred would lead to rioting. In addition to carrying ordinary arms, it is reported that machine guns were mounted by the soldiers at strategic points to enable command of the crowds.

Motor cycle companies comprising the vanguard of the main German column thundered, without meeting any resistance, into the centre of Prague. Roughly 5,000 persons were massed so closely at the bottom of Wenceslaus Square that the German motor cycle units could not pass.

The crowd spontaneously burst into the Czech national anthem. Entry was effected by a scout force consisting of cyclists followed by motor cyclists and anti-tank guns. The cyclists were armed with rifles slung over their shoulders as well as light machine guns. They crossed the border near the town of Melnik, 20 miles from Prague, in a banding snowstorm shortly before 7 a.m. Melnik is the nearest front to Prague.

Military planes, believed to be German, appeared over Prague at 8.30 a.m.

The crowd in Wenceslaus Square hissed the German troops, many giving the ball-balloon Communist salute, while the Germans gave the Hitler salute and threw little bouquets of violets. Simultaneously with the entry of the troops the snowstorm ceased and the sun broke through the clouds.

First fights broke out. They were subdued by the police. At 9 a.m. sound trucks of Czech-Slovakia announced, "German soldiers have occupied our Fatherland. You can best serve your Fatherland by perfect quiet and no untoward acts. Maintain calmness when you see the swastika raised, as it will be raised over the city." A policeman in the street outside the city hall directed traffic, blinded with tears.

The soldiers meanwhile, openly and unchallenged, with swastika arm bands, walked the streets. The German flag appeared on scattered private houses.

The city's activities, like tramcar traffic and snow sweepers, were normal, but crowds jammed the travel bureaux which were unable to offer any hope of exodus. One train left for Paris at 10 a.m., but nobody knew whether it would get through.

Rumania Acts: No Invasion Planned

Bucharest, Mar. 15. It is reported that King Carol has ordered Rumanian troops to reinforce the 150 miles of border on the Carpatho-Ukraine as a precautionary measure.—United Press.

Government Attitude

Bucharest, Mar. 15. Rumania is following the events in Czechoslovakia with the closest attention. A semi-official statement issued this morning expressed the hope that a final and equitable settlement will remove once and for all the centre of dangerous unrest in the heart of Europe.—Trans-Ocean.

No Invasion By Rumania

Bucharest, Mar. 15. It was denied here that Rumanian troops had crossed into Carpathian-Ukraine.—Reuter's Bulletin.

Calm Attitude

Bucharest, Mar. 15. King Carol had a long conference yesterday afternoon with M. Gafencu. No special military precautions are considered necessary and the general attitude in Rumania is calm.

It is stated that Rumania will not interfere with the move to establish a common Hungary-Polish frontier.

The Rumanian Foreign Ministry is in constant touch with Warsaw, but there is no confirmation of the reports that Rumanian troops are marching.—Reuter.

No Troop Movements

Bucharest, Mar. 15. A Government spokesman, M. Tisman, officially denied that Rumanian troops had crossed the frontier into Ruthenian territory. Simultaneously he reported that the Ruthenian Premier, Father Volosin, had entered Rumania.

Foreign experts are unanimously of the opinion that it is highly improbable that Rumania will undertake military steps in Ruthenia which would carry great risks for her.—United Press.

and many of its desperate occupants, mainly Jews, feared arrest when they were forced to cross German territory.

Prague, too, knew death with the resignation of the city possessing a thousand years of history and long experience with sieges and warring armies. At first there were signs of panic, and then, throughout the early morning before the entry of German troops, some hurried to work or just stood around hopelessly, while others rushed to shops, food, tea and coffee shops—anywhere where they could lay in something tangible which might be very necessary later on.—United Press.

Part of History

Berlin, Mar. 15. Herr Hitler's assumption of a protectorate over Bohemia and Moravia means the end of the existence of the Czech State as such, although a certain degree of autonomy will be granted to the Czechs, with perhaps lesser reform of the local Government centred at Prague. Otherwise the country will be under the complete domination of Germany and to all intents and purposes will be a simple provincial part of the Reich, sharing the Reich economic and political fortunes.

The Nazis see in the protectorate the fulfilment of Hitler's dream of a Greater Germany, which would eventually embrace all the predominantly German territories or all territories which are historically within the German sphere of influence.

The inclusion of the former Austrian provinces of Bohemia and Moravia in the present Nazi Reich is felt to have the fullest historical justification since the Anschluss with Austria itself. It is significant that the same political mechanism was used in the case of Austria, namely that the people themselves appealed for solution of their difficulties and German troops were dispatched to only preserve order in the country.

Hostile Cries

Oranque, Mar. 15. Most of the chief administrative buildings including the Ministry of National Defence and General Post Office, were occupied to-day. Crowds, both Czechs and Germans, watched the German troops arrive. In some places the crowds got out of the control of the police, but the armed disturbances were minor, although two persons were run over by German military cars.

There were hostile cries from the Czechs, mingled with the bells of the Germans. At some centres the Czechs sang their national anthem and the armoured lorries drove past.

The whole of Bohemia and Moravia are now virtually in German hands, but the occupying forces are small.

The relations between the Czech army and police and the German troops have been uniformly courteous and correct.—Reuter.

Gains in Gold

London, Mar. 15. The collapse of Czechoslovakia is expected to yield Germany £27,000,000 gold stock of the former Czech National Bank, compared with the harvest of £10,000,000 gold and £3,000,000 foreign exchange from the occupation of Austria one year ago.

The Greater Reich's gold stock is only £6,000,000, although it is also known to have a secret supply outside the Reichsbank, which is believed to be not large.

Some quarters believe that the British Government will now retain the unexpended balance of its £10,000,000 credit to the Czech Government, but there has been no official hint and no official legislation yet.—United Press.

BRITISH DEMARCHE TO BERLIN

London, Mar. 15. Britain has made a demarche to Berlin concerning the entry of German troops into Czechoslovakia. It is regarded as possible that a similar step will be taken by France.

It is learned that during the recent events there have been close contacts between the British Minister to Prague and Czech officials. The Czechs, however, have made no request for advice to the British Government.

There is now a strong possibility that the projected trade visit of Mr. Oliver Stanley and Mr. R. S. Hudson, Board of Trade officials, will be cancelled.—Reuter.

Statement To-morrow

London, Mar. 15. Mr. Neville Chamberlain is expected to make a statement in the House of Commons to-day regarding Britain's position in connection with the events in Central Europe.

The introduction of the Navy estimates which was scheduled to be discussed in the Commons to-day has been postponed until to-morrow. The Cabinet met this morning and it is understood that the British Ambassador in Berlin has been instructed to approach the German Government regarding the events in Czechoslovakia.—Reuter Bulletin.

Egypt

Wedding Contract Is Signed

King Farouk and the Crown Prince of Iran to-day signed the contract for the marriage between the latter and Princess Fawziyah. According to Moslem custom, the bride was not present.

Celebrations are taking place, lasting three days, and another ceremony will be held when the Crown Prince and his bride return to Teheran.—Reuter's Bulletin.

Royal Salute Fired

Cairo, Mar. 15. A Royal salute announced to the waiting citizens that the wedding contract had been signed at Abdine Palace.

King Farouk and the Crown Prince of Iran signed the contract in the presence of a hundred princes and high dignitaries, including the Prime Minister.—Reuter Special.

AN ANCIENT ANIMAL Remains of Desmostylus Found in Japan

Tokyo, Mar. 15. Desmostylus, monster animal believed to have lived in Japan approximately 20,000,000 years ago, belongs to the Ungulate family, according to Professor Masaji Iijiri of the Tokyo High School.

Desmostylus is believed to have inhabited along the coasts of the Northern Pacific including Japan and the United States, its size being about the same as that of Rhinoceros or Hippopotamus.

A number of skeletons, believed to be the remains of the ancient animal, have been discovered in Japan in the provinces of Isumo, Mino and Sado, the Hokkaido, and Saghalien and in America in the State of Oregon.

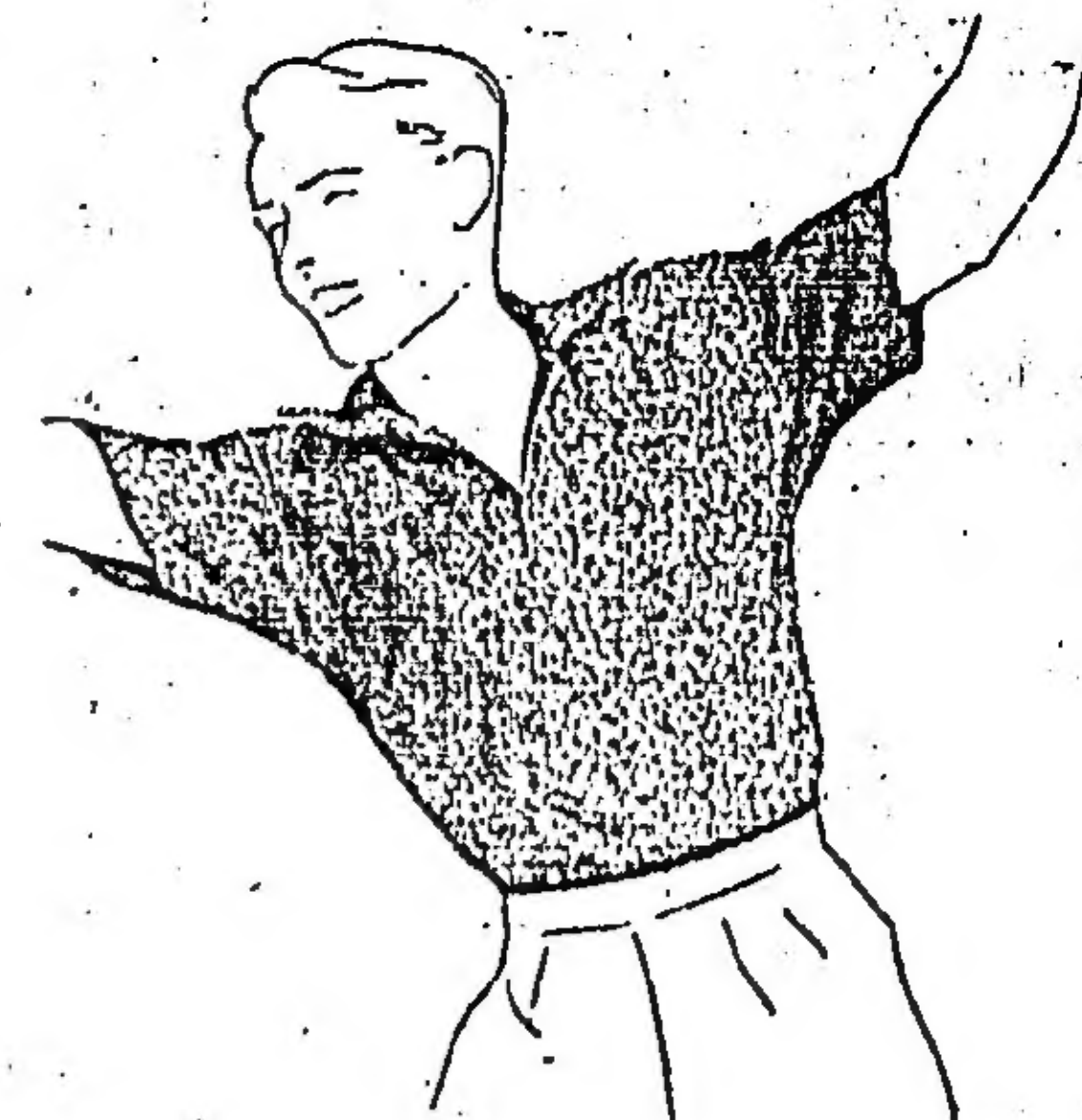
Interviewed by newspapermen, Professor Iijiri said that Japan was most abundant in Desmostylus skeletons. It was interesting to note, Professor Iijiri added, that the teeth of this animal contained the same element as the tooth of human being.—Domei.

NOTES SIGNED

Italy And Britain Discuss Trade Relations

Rome, Mar. 15. The British Ambassador, Lord Perth, and Count Ciano have signed the exchange notes in connection with the review of the existing commercial agreement.

It is believed that the notes will bring up to date the existing treaty by reviewing the list of British products which Italy can use and Italian products useful to Britain.—Reuter Special.



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STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued 12.30 p.m. yesterday, says:

The market continued steady, prices being well maintained and buyers predominating for most of the popular counters.

Buyers

Hongkong Bank \$1,400
Bank of East Asia \$200
Canton Insurance \$225
H.K. Fire Insurance \$100
Douglas \$67 1/2
H.K. Docks (New) \$10 1/2
H. S. Hotels \$6 1/2
H.K. Tramways \$16.00
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Wing On (H.K.) \$46
H. S. Hotels \$6 1/2
Vibro Piling \$7.10
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Sellers

Union Insurance \$425
H.K. Tramways \$17.15
China Lights (New) \$6
Macao Electric \$16 1/2
Cement \$14 1/2

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Union Insurance \$400
Docks (Old) \$10 1/2
H. S. Hotels \$6.05
H.K. Tramways \$16.00
Dairy Farms \$25 1/2
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POOR DAY FOR C.R.C. PLAYERS AT TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Three Eliminated In Four Ties Yesterday

(By "Abe")

Yesterday was a bad day for Chinese R.C. players in the Colony Tennis Championships; in three out of the four singles matches decided C.R.C. men participated and in all three they were eliminated from the tournament.

Paul Kong met his Waterloo at the hands of E. C. Fincher, who played extremely well to win out in straight sets. The scores 6-2, 6-4 in his favour, against a player of Kong's calibre, are sufficient proof of the high quality of Fincher's tennis yesterday. Not only was his backhand in good working order, but he was able to keep mistakes on the forehand down to a minimum. The court, of course, suited Fincher's service after 3-5 had been called, but promptly dropped his own to level the scores at 4-4. However, he broke through his opponent's service, but this time he held his own to win out at 6-4.

If further proof was necessary to show that he will be a very difficult man to beat, Lim Thiam-tet provided it yesterday when he polished off

VETERANS TO FIGHT FOR TITLE

Len Harvey Meet Gains To-Night

London, Mar. 15. The British Empire heavyweight championship fight over 15 rounds at the Harringay Arena to-morrow between the 32-year-old Len Harvey, holder, and the 37-year-old coloured Canadian, Larry Gains, is likely to prove a battle of ringcraft, finesse and subtlety rather than hard punching, although both promise to knock-out the opponent.

If there is a knock-out, Harvey, who has shown impressive punching ability at training, is likely to win. To improve the television reception and to prevent any blurring of the figures, butereup yellow canvas and blue ropes will be used.—Reuter.

Results Of Matches Played Yesterday

The following were the results of matches played yesterday:

OPEN SINGLES

George Choa beat H. G. Can 6-1, 6-0.
A. Crawford beat Pang O-lam 6-4, 6-2.
Lim Thiam-tet beat Lee Yue-wing 6-3, 6-3.
E. C. Fincher beat Paul Kong 6-2, 6-4.

Lee Yue-wing, an extremely steady player, with the loss of six games. The former Perak champion revealed a stronger all-round game and won 6-3, 6-3.

The match between A. Crawford and Pang O-lam produced play of a fairly high standard, but the Kowloon C.C. man proved a trifle staid of the two and won in straight sets. He was also a stronger all-round player.

George Choa had some useful practice against H. G. Can, whom he beat easily.

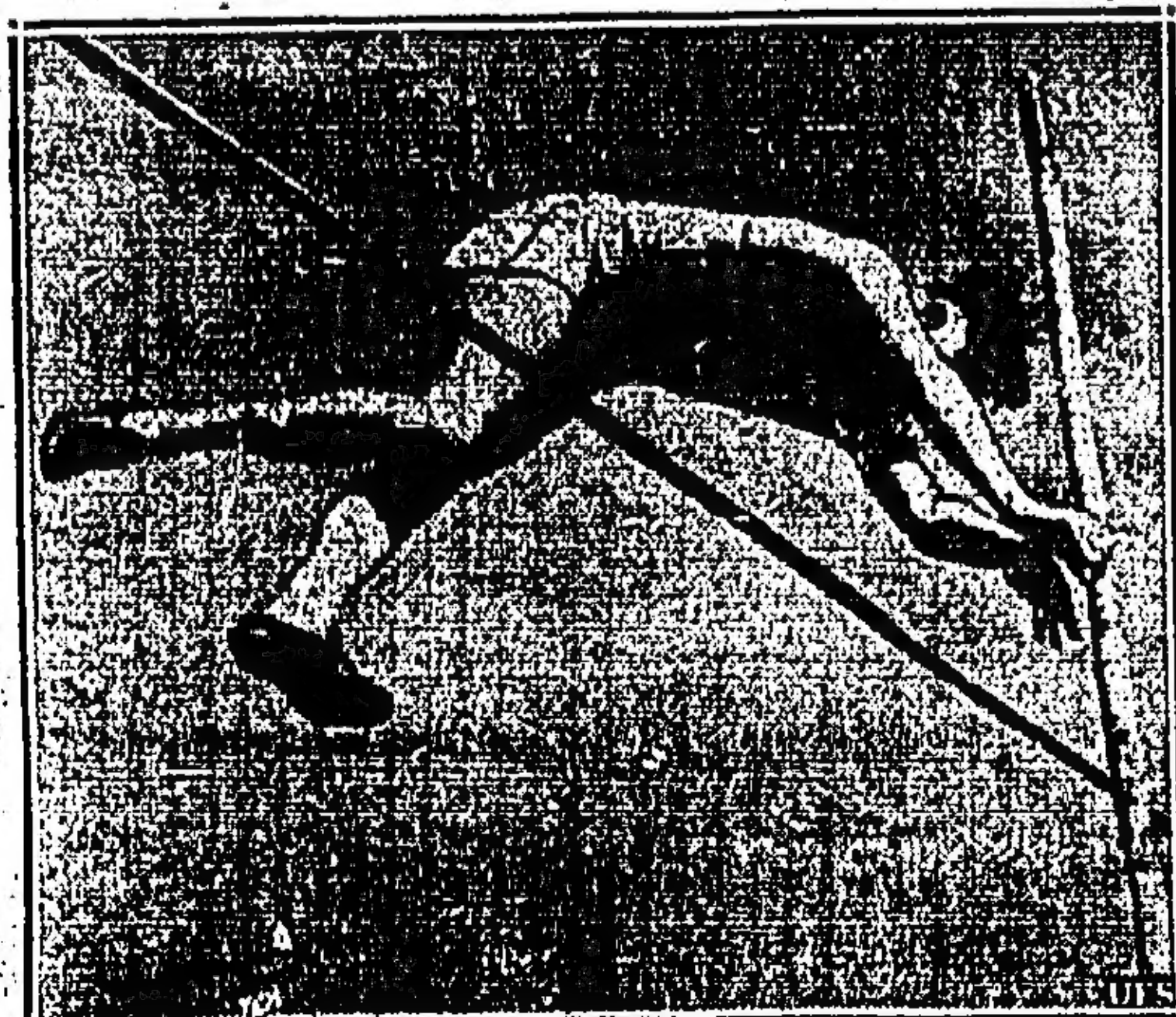
TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

Singles.—O. Rumljah v. I. M. A. Razack; Tsui Wai-pui v. Chan Chik-keung; Tsui Ping fan v. Chan Kam-moon; Tsui Yun-pui v. Wan Tze-sam; B. Szeto v. J. W. Leonard.

Eastern, Kwong Wah In Goalless Draw

Eastern and Kwong Wah met on the Club ground yesterday in the First Division of the Hongkong Football League, the result being a goalless draw.

The game was keen, but both defences were on top of the attacks.



Among many top-fighters in sports who were seen recently at the Millrose A.C. meet at Madison Square Garden was Cornelius Warner, above, U.S. national pole vault champion. Warner's record is 14 feet 7½ ins. He is from the California Olympic Club. This action picture shows him going over the bar.

Draw In Test Confirmed

Durban, Mar. 15. The Final Test was abandoned as a draw on the tenth day. Rain stopped play throughout to-day when England needed only 42 runs, with five wickets in hand.

The match could not be continued as the M.C.C. team have to catch their ship home. The final scores were: South Africa 530 and 481; M.C.C. 316 and 654 for 5.—Reuter's Bulletin.

Ireland Defeated By Wales

INTERNATIONAL SOCCER MATCH

London, Mar. 15. At Wrexham to-day, before 20,000 spectators, Wales defeated Ireland by three goals to one in the international soccer match.

In the Welsh team, Poland of Wrexham was in goal, and Boulter of Brentford replaced Leslie Jones of the Arsenal at inside right. Ireland made one change from the team previously announced. Leathams, of Belfast Celtic, coming into the side in place of McMillen, of Chesterfield, at centre-half.

The teams, therefore, lined up as follows: Wales.—Poland (Wrexham); Turner (Charlton), Hughes (Birmingham); Green (Charlton), T. Jones (Everton), Dearson (Birmingham); Hopkins (Brentford), Boulter (Brentford) Glover (Grimsby); Bryn Jones (Arsenal) and Cumner (Arsenal).

Ireland.—Breen (Manchester U.); Cook (Everton), Butler (Blackpool); Broly (Millwall), Leathams (Belfast Celtic), Weir (Clyde); Cochran (Leeds U.), Stevenson (Belfast Celtic), Milligan (Chesterfield) and Brown (Birmingham).

Wales were confident at the start and Cumner gathered a pass from Bryn Jones to score in the seventh minute.

Milligan, however, equalised following a mix-up in the Welsh goal-mouth, but Glover restored the lead for Wales from a disputed corner kick by Cumner five minutes later.

STANDARD, NOT HIGH. Play was not of a high standard. Ireland attacked hotly before the interval but were unable to break down the Welsh defence, and half-time arrived with the Welshmen leading by 2-1.

After the interval, the Welsh defence was hard-pressed by the forceful Irish forwards, who insisted many sweeping movements, which were spoiled by poor finishing.

Wales eventually scored against the run of play, Boulter netting the third goal.

After this, Wales improved though Ireland finished the stronger team of the two.

The Welshmen were flattered by their margin of victory. Poland, who made his debut as goal-keeper in an international for Wales, was impressive, saving his side repeatedly.

Missed "saunders" caused the Irish defeat.—Reuter.

Results Of Matches Played In League

London, Mar. 15. The following were the results of matches played in the Home Football League to-day:

FIRST DIVISION			
Chelsea	1	Blackpool	2
Sunderland	0	Portsmouth	2
Huddersfield	1	Liverpool	1
THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)			
Bournemouth	1	Port Vale	1
THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)			
Bradford City	2	Doncaster	1
SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)			
Clyde	2	Queen's Park	3

Rugger Matches At Home

London, Mar. 15. Rugby results to-day were as follows:

RUGBY LEAGUE			
Swinton	27	Broughton	0
		Rangers	0
RUGBY LEAGUE CUP			
(3RD ROUND REPLAY)			
Hullfax	15	Wakefield	12
		Trinity	1
RUGBY UNION			
Kent	9	United Banks	1
	(at New Beckenham)		
Civil Service	6	R.A.F.	28
	(at Chislewick)		

OUR WEEKLY HOCKEY FEATURE

DIFFERENT METHODS EMPLOYED BY FORWARDS NOWADAYS



Mrs. Dalziel, who will probably be turning out at inside left for the Colony Interport team.

New Method Tried For Corner Hits

In the matches played in the Western Counties Women's tournament at Weston-Super-Mare, a new method of taking corners, to give the attacking team a greater advantage, was tried out as an experiment at the request of the All England Women's Association, to judge whether it should be included in the rules of the game for another season.

The system adopted was this: On being awarded a corner, the attacking forwards lined the circle as formerly, and the defence remained behind the "25 line" where the forwards of the 4 defending side were waiting until the corner hit had been taken before moving. This scheme provided that only six players, instead of eleven, should be in front of them. In spite of this interesting experiment, goals proved to be just as scarce as under the existing corner rule.

As women are always keen and eager to make any substantial improvement in the technique of their game, it has been suggested how, ever, to play out as an experiment, so far as short corners are concerned, of placing the ball within five yards of the goalpost instead of the customary 10, with all defenders standing on the further side of the goal-line, with just the goalkeeper in charge. Until such an experiment is carried out by practical demonstration, it is impossible to suggest whether such a reform of the short corner rule would make for any greater improvement. Beyond this one point in the game, it remains as perfect as it is humanly possible to make it.

It is left to be seen whether the women will experiment on this suggestion.

RANDOM JOTTINGS BY "THE PILGRIM"

ENTRIES for the Hongkong H.A. six-a-side tournament, which commences on April 2, will lose no time in being made. Clubs affiliated to the Association are allowed to enter one or more teams, and their entries are to be forwarded to Mr. R. Henderson, Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong H.A. c/o Harbour View Hotel, Kowloon. The games will be of seven minutes duration and will be played on the Navy, Recreation, C.B.A. and U.S.R.C. grounds at King's Park. The semi-finals and final will take place on the Club ground.

The following gentlemen were elected to the Six-a-Side Tournament Committee:—Lieut. Gunner (Navy), Lieut. Hook (Army), Mr. A. E. P. Guest (Civilian) and the Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. Henderson. Further details will be published as soon as the Committee has had its first meeting.

MR. D. Smith, Tournament Secretary of the H.K.H.A., will be leaving for Shanghai on March 20 on a three weeks' vacation. He hopes to be present at the Ladies' Interport hockey match which is to be played in Shanghai during the second week of April.

MISS J. Weller, former "Y" Ladies' goal-keeper, has made a welcome return to the game after an absence of two seasons. She now plays at full back for the Hongkong Ladies' Brawn Cup team, and gave a good display against the Recreation ladies last Saturday.

TWO well-known players are due to arrive back in the Colony

INDIVIDUAL PLAY SEEN TO GREATER EXTENT

The short-passing game, which was developed to such a fine art by some of the finest centre-forwards in hockey, has in present-day play been superseded to a great extent by the through pass. This is nothing more or less than the oldest style of hockey—called in those days "hit and run"—brought down to a scientific basis, and it is for this reason that nowadays we see little of the short square-passing game from stick to stick that used to be such a delight to watch.

The tendency of this new style of play has been to make players more individual than formerly, and the present-day centre-forward is generally seen doing rather more than the average amount of dribbling in an endeavour to draw the defences so as to make a through pass with success.

The centre-forward of to-day must not allow himself to become a slave to this new form of attack, but should use his own discretion as to when to employ it, and he should certainly vary his methods as much as possible.

A clever defence, alive to these methods, can position itself to frustrate attacks far more easily than it could to check a fast and clever line of forwards playing the short-passing game.

On wet and heavy grounds, where the defences find it difficult to turn quickly, a centre-forward can adopt the through-pass tactics with far

greater chances of success than on a hard and fast ground, and so here again generalship and brain-work must play an important part.

PLAY THE GAME

Sufficient attention is seldom paid either by the captain or by the team as a whole to the way in which the best can be brought out of the side. Too often a team is merely a collection of eleven individuals, but for an afternoon's exercise and enjoyment, who do not consider as much as they might the best way to get the utmost out of themselves, not only with a view to winning but also to give as good a display as possible.

Victory is certainly not the sole aim and object of any game. What is necessary is that the side should play well and hard, and also take any bad luck that comes their way with equanimity. If they should win, so much the better.

"PILGRIM" THINKS H. K. INTERPORT TEAM WILL DO WELL IN SHANGHAI

The ladies' Interport team has practically been selected. Eight defenders and seven forwards have been nominated by the Ladies' Hockey Association to make the trip to Shanghai.

The players chosen are: Goal-keeper—Mrs. Lunson (H.K. Ladies). Backs—Miss G. White (St. Andrew's), Miss A. Fowler (St. Andrew's), Mrs. Wilmot (Seafarths). Half-backs—Mrs. Stone ("Y" Ladies), Miss I. Woolley (C.B.A.), Miss Reid (St. Andrew's) and Miss Greaves (D.G.S.). Forwards—Mrs. Burnett ("Y" Ladies), Miss Barker ("Y" Ladies), Mrs. Read ("Y" Ladies), Mrs. Dalziel (H.K. Ladies), Miss Westcott ("Y" Ladies), Miss M. Booker (C.B.A.) and Miss J. Greig (H.K. Ladies).

After last Sunday's trial, many followers of the game were probably surprised at several selections and omissions, but no doubt the selectors have reasons for them. The absence of Miss C. Silva in the attack is due to the fact that she is unable to make the trip north.

possible to make it.

It is left to be seen whether the women will experiment on this suggestion.

Mrs. Dalziel as an inside-left is not in her customary position, but again in the way of an experiment she proved successful and was seen to better advantage in partnership with Miss Westcott than did Mrs. Ackroyd or Miss Buchanan. Mrs. Read was the obvious choice as leader of the attack; she was by no means brilliant, but if she retains something of her old form, shown last season, she is certain to be of signal service. Her methods of attacking are needed to penetrate the Shanghai defence.

I cannot imagine Miss Greig performing in that position with the same degree of success. I rather liked the right-wing combination of Miss Barker and Mrs. Burnett of the "Y" Ladies. I am glad the selectors are quite aware of the former's playing qualities. She has speed, a powerful hit and supports her wing well. The wingers, Mrs. Burnett and Miss M. Westcott, need no introduction. They are experienced interporters, possessing plenty of "fire" in their play.

SOUND DEFENCE

I should imagine Mrs. Lunson, Miss White and Miss Fowler will comprise the Colony's chief defence. Mrs. Lunson is always safe as a goal-

THROUGH PASS NOW FAVOURED



Miss Westcott is no stranger to the outside left position in Interports, having played before on this wing against Shanghai.

League Table To Date

The following is the H.K.H.A. Tournament Table to date:

	P	W	D	L	F.A.	Pts.
Radio & P.S.C.	0	8	0	1	22	4 17
Recreation	0	7	2	0	17	4 14
C.B.A.	0	7	2	0	21	12 14
H.A.F.	0	6	4	0	22	10 8
Police "A"	0	4	2	0	8	2 8
Nominees	0	3	3	1	15	11 7
R.A.O.C.	0	2	2	0	5	2 8
K.I.T.C.	0	1	2	2	11	4 4
Varsity	0	0	0	0	0	0 0
Police "B"	0	0	0	0	12	0

keeper and Miss Fowler is a back who does not stand on any ceremony when she jumps into a tackle and hits the ball uncommonly hard. Miss White is as steady as ever and usually comes through an ordeal with distinct credit.

The three halves, Mrs. Stone, Miss I. Woolley, and Miss H. Reid, are a constructive trio and are capable of rising to great heights when the occasion demands.

The above players took part in the first quarter of the trials last Sunday and to me they proved to be the best combination.

According to the names submitted, the Interport team and reserves would probably be as follows:

Mrs. Lunson
Miss G. White
Miss A. Fowler
Mrs. Stone
Miss I. Woolley
Miss H. Reid
Mrs. Burnett
Miss Barker
Mrs. Read
Mrs. Dalziel
Miss Westcott
Reserves—Mrs. Wilmot, Miss B. Greaves, Miss M. Booker and Miss J. Greig.

A practice for the Interports will be held on the Navy ground, King's Park, on Sunday at 10.30 a.m. when they meet the Rest.

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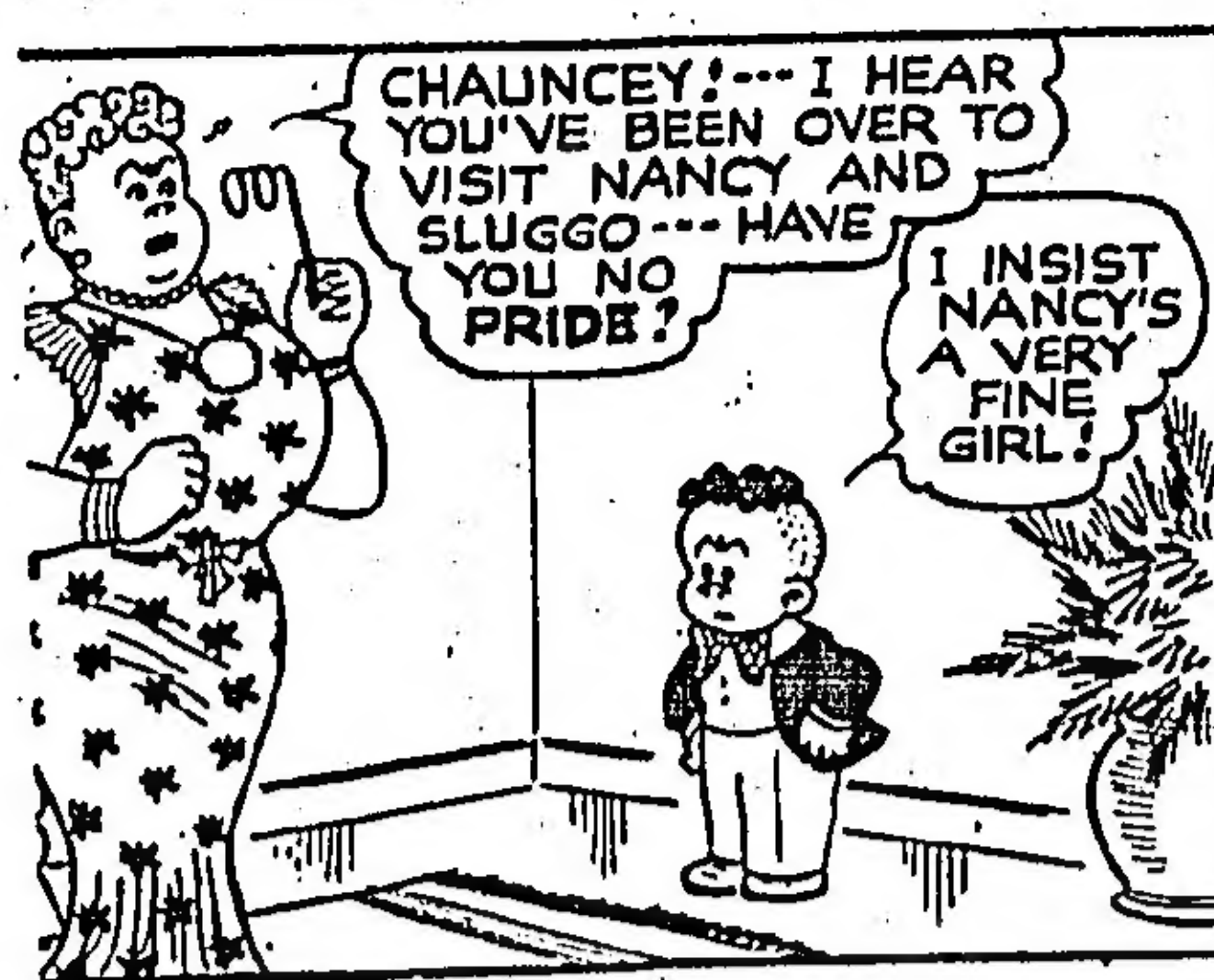
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Birmingham's Cup "Tragedy" v. Everton

PENALTY CONCEDED ONLY 3 MINUTES FROM THE FINISH

By A. G. Shirve

Everton 2 Birmingham 1

London, Feb. 16.

Another Cup-tie tragedy occurred in this fifth-round replay at Goodison Park, and the victims were Birmingham.

With only three minutes left for play they were beaten by a penalty goal conceded by Dearson, who in the excitement of the moment handled the ball which had been headed towards goal by Boyes from Gillick's centre.

The tragedy of it was that two of his colleagues could have cleared the ball in a legitimate manner. The goalkeeper moved towards him, who was standing in front of him, was rising to head it away when Dearson jumped up and used his hand to stop it. Cook took the "spot" kick and drove the ball low into the net to the left of the goalkeeper. This was Cook's fifth consecutive penalty goal.

EVERTON LUCKY

A few minutes before this Dearson had nearly won the match for his side. He took the ball through at top speed, was checked and lost it, but when Thomson passed it back to a colleague Dearson followed up and fired in the best shot of the match, which was brilliantly saved by Sagar.

Immediately the match was over Clark, the Birmingham goalkeeper, ran across the field and putted Dearson on the back—a very nice gesture from one who must have been suffering from a keen sense of disappointment.

Everton can reckon themselves lucky indeed to win this game and so gain the chance of visiting Wolverhampton in the next round. They did not play near such good football as Birmingham, who are at the bottom of the First Division table, while they are at the top.

Birmingham were the quicker-moving side, worked the ball more skilfully and found the open spaces much better with their passes. They must have played far above their normal form, or else they are occupying a false position in the League. Every position in the team was capably filled and the team spirit, admirable.

An outstanding player was Halliwell, the centre-half. He saw to it that Lawton had few chances and he was scrupulously fair in his tackling. Dearson also played a fine game, especially in attack.

BEST INSIDE FORWARD

I thought the half-back play of Birmingham was better all round than that of Everton. Jones was easily the best Everton half-back. He never got hurried and covered up in defence with real judgment.

Both Birmingham backs positioned well, tackled quickly and kicked soundly, while Clark's goalkeeping was marked by good anticipation and sure fielding of the ball. Dearson and Tsang 21-11; beat Lee and Mackay 21-21.

moving out to either wing. On the day he outshone Lawton. Madden was the best inside forward on the field. He showed some delightful touches and often opened the game with well-judged passes. Craven also had a good day, and both wing-men put in much fine work. The only Everton forward to play up to his reputation was Gillick.

GOALMOUTH THRILLS

Only two minutes had gone when Everton took the lead. Following a free kick Lawton headed out to Boyes, who, unmarked, centred for Gillick to score.

In eight minutes, however, Birmingham were on terms. Jennings took a forward pass in his stride, lobbed a high ball into an open space and Harris ran in and drove it into the net. The speed of this movement caught the Everton defence unawares.

Only a fine save by Sagar from a header by Harris—again from a Jennings centre—prevented Birmingham scoring again in almost the next minute.

There was a thrill when Gillick cleared a through pass down the middle and shot just wide as the goalkeeper ran out and collided with him.

The Everton goal had a lucky escape early in the second half when Sagar dropped the ball from a low centre by Harris. As Craven dashed in the goalkeeper just managed to retrieve his error.

Birmingham were the better side throughout this half without being able to force a goal, and it looked as though extra time would be necessary until Dearson made the fatal mistake.

Everton: Sagar; Cook, Greenhalgh, Mercer, Jones (T. G.), Thomson; Gillick, Bentham, Lawton, Stevenson, Boyes.
Birmingham: Clark; Trigg, Hughes; Dearson, Halliwell, Richards; Jennings, Craven, Harris, Madden, Brown.

BADMINTON RESULTS

Results of the badminton matches played last night were:
Senior singles—C. Au beat S. F. Hon, 15-10, 15-10.
Junior singles—D. Kwok beat A. Krown, 15-0, 15-12.
Mixed Doubles—C. Au and Miss A. C. Remedios beat A. L. Fisher and Mrs. S. W. Clark, 15-5, 15-5.
In a consolation match, Wanderers defeated Kowloon Tong "A", 7-2.
E. S. Ho and C. Y. Yung (Wanderers) beat A. E. L. Castro and Peter Lo 21-17; lost to B. C. Fletcher and J. Tsang 17-21; beat R. E. Lee and N. A. E. Mackay 21-15; lost to S. H. Cheung (Wanderers) beat Castro and Lo 21-9; beat Fletcher and Tsang 21-11; beat Lee and Mackay 21-21.
S. W. Liang and T. J. Ong (Wanderers) beat Castro and Lo 21-9; beat Fletcher and Tsang 21-9; lost to Lee and Mackay 21-21.

VOLUNTEERS LOSE

Command Headquarters Win Golf Match

In a golf match played at Fanling yesterday, the China Command Headquarters defeated the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, 8-6. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote played for the latter team. Major-General A. E. Grasset and Col. Gowland (Command Headquarters) lost to Sir Geoffrey Northcote and Lieut.-Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, 5 down.

Col. Collin and Col. King (Command Headquarters) beat Col. R. B. Rose and Col. E. J. R. Mitchell, 4 up. Col. Simson and Major Johnstone (Command Headquarters) lost to Major R. D. Walker and Lieut. Redmond, 1 down.

Brig. Thompson and Col. Rogers (Command Headquarters) beat Capt. H. Owen-Hughes and Capt. Felby, 4 up.

WORLD HOCKEY

Japan To Participate In 1940 Tournament

Tokyo, Mar. 15.—Japan will be represented at the World Hockey Championships scheduled for next year at Amsterdam according to a decision reached at the executive meeting of the Japan Field Hockey Association in Tokyo. Thirty possible representatives will go into training from July of this year.

The Association's decision has been made in view of the fact that field hockey is not included in the programme of the Twelfth Olympiad to be held next year.—Domei.

BRAWN CUP TEAM

The following will represent the C.B.A. Ladies in a Brawn Cup hockey match against the Seafarers' Ladies at Shumshuipo to-day at 5.30 p.m. Mrs. Parnell; T. Macgregor and M. MacLean; A. Webb, C. Bone and E. Hunt, F. Grimmer, E. Woolley, M. Quirk and I. Cunningham.

LOCAL YACHTING

Sweepstake Race Yesterday Won By Colleen

Colleen took first place in the sweepstake race held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday over a distance of 7.3 miles. Results: Finished Colleen (Rev. E. D'A. Stanton) 1, 10.33.50; La Linda (Capt. M. T. L. Wilkinson) 2, 10.54.20; Redhawk (Capt. M. T. L. Wilkinson) 3, 10.55.05; Painted Lady (Mrs. J. M. Williams) 4, 10.57.40; (Capt. M. T. L. Wilkinson) 5, 11.01.10; Robert (Lt. Sticely, R.N.) 6, 11.02.06; Isobell (Mrs. T. M. Morris) 7, 11.03.30; Kittiwake (P. King) 8, 11.05.37; Stella (Mrs. J. S. Gilling) 9, 11.06.29; Gull (Lt. J. C. Neyrick, R.N.) 10, 11.08.11.

Y.M.C.A. LECTURE

At the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, to-night at 9 p.m., Mr. F. F. Key, O.B.E., will give an address on a journey across the United States by motorbus, with an account of Yosemite, the Carlsbad Caverns and the Grand Canyon.

An original feature of the evening will be a pageant of American men's fashions illustrating cowboy clothes and other gay styles, including the "Gipsy Doodle" shirts popular in Honolulu.

Professor R. Robertson, of the Hongkong University, will preside.

CARTOONISTS' UNION

A Hongkong branch of the Chinese Cartoonists' Association was formally organised at a meeting of more than 30 leading Chinese cartoonists on Tuesday.

Messrs. Yeh Chien-yu, Huang Ting, Chang Kwang-yu, Chen Yen-chiao, Li Yen-fu and Ting Chung were elected members of the standing committee.

It was decided that an exhibition of modern Chinese cartoons will be held in Hongkong in the early part of April, and a cartoon periodical will be published.—Central News.

By Ernie Bushmiller



Megan Taylor
Champion again



Daphne Walker
She was third

MEGAN TAYLOR RETAINS WORLD SKATING TITLE

Prague, Feb. 12.

Miss Megan Taylor retained her world's-figure-skating championship here to-night, and except when she was on the ice sat watching other competitors beside the most disappointed girl in Prague—Miss Cecilia Colledge, whose strained tendon dashed her hopes of winning back the title she lost to Miss Taylor last year at Stockholm.

Miss Colledge was the first to congratulate Miss Taylor, who said she was happy to have kept the championship, but regretted the bad luck which prevented Miss Colledge from competing.

Miss Colledge actually began skating yesterday, but found the pain too great and had to withdraw. She cried from disappointment when she came off the ice, and was consoled by Miss Taylor.

FINAL PLACINGS

The result was:
1. Miss Megan Taylor (Britain), 373.22 points (placements 5).
2. Miss Hedy Stenif (U.S.A.), 358.09 points (placements 14).
3. Miss Daphne Walker (Britain), 359.74 points (placements 15).
4. Miss L. Veicht (Germany), 355.33 points (placements 16).
5. Miss E. Nykova (Czechoslovakia), 350.00 points (placements 17).
6. Miss E. Putzinger (Germany), 349.20 points (placements 20).
7. Miss M. Muselkova (Germany), 342.31 points (placements 37).
8. Miss Gladys Jagger (Britain), 344.40 points (placements 35).

Miss Taylor had such a long lead over all other competitors after yesterday's figure skating that she did not require to exert herself in the exhibition skating to-night.

Generally favoured for second place was comet-like Miss Daphne Walker, and the crowd expressed loud and long disapproval of the umpires when they saw that she was marked low.

Eventually second place was given to Miss Hedy Stenif, former Viennese girl, who is debarré by Jewish descent from skating for Germany, and now enters for America.

HITLER SALUTE

Miss Daphne Walker was thus placed third. An unlucky fall may just have cost her the second place.

Most striking incident to-night was when a German competitor, Fraulein Anita Vageler, before beginning clicked her skated heels together and gave the Hitler salute.

This is rather unkind in Prague, five months after Munich, but she had to do it, being under orders.

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Three Fatalities During The Past Week

In the Colony of Hongkong, including the Island, Kowloon and the New Territories, during the week ending last morning, Saturday, there were altogether 68 traffic accidents, as the result of which three persons were killed and 37 were injured.

Of those killed, a 6-year-old boy and a Chinese male, age 40, were knocked down and killed by an unknown vehicle and a taxicab, respectively, while running across the road. A Chinese boy, age 14, was knocked down and killed during a collision between vehicles in Nathan Road.

Of persons injured, 18 were pedestrians, who were either walking or running across the road or sitting on the roadway and were struck by vehicles. A pedestrian was injured as the result of a collision between vehicles. A taxi driver and a bus passenger were injured when their vehicles collided with a catchwater and a stone pillar, respectively. A private car driver and two passengers were injured when their car collided with a tree. A pedestrian was injured when a lorry ran into a stall. A lorry driver was injured when his lorry ran off the roadway. A bicycle rider and a lorry passenger were injured when their vehicles fell on their sides.

Two lorry passengers were injured on falling off their vehicles while in motion. Three tram passengers and two bus passengers were injured while alighting from moving trams and moving buses, respectively. Two bus passengers were injured on attempting to board moving buses.

Of the 68 accidents, 24 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; and 24 were due to other causes.

Vehicles involved were:—Private motor cars 27, motor lorries 27, motor buses 9, public motor cars 12, motor cycles 3, trancars 7, bicycles 2, bicycles 3, and ricksha-one.

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INSURANCE CASE

Differences in Prices Explained to Court

Proceedings in the China Underwriters Ltd., insurance test case were somewhat less tedious yesterday with the introduction of an actual box of the much-talked-of preserved fish goods.

The Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, smilingly declined to have the goods near him after they had been opened outside the Court door—by special request.

The case, which has now been before the Court on and off for a month, is one in which the Cheong Shing Hong, plaintiffs, claim from the China Underwriters, defendants, \$30,000.23, being the rateable proportion of insurance borne by them for the loss of goods, marine products and seafoods, lost in a fire in January last year.

The defence is that 127 of the 137 items claimed are fraudulent, and benefits under the policy are, therefore, forfeited. It is further alleged that the prices of some of the goods had been charged higher than the market price, and that the weight and price book had been altered.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. C. Macnamara, appear for plaintiff firm on the instructions of Mr. E. Davidson, of Hastings and Co. Defendants are represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, Jnr., and Mr. D. J. N. Anderson, instructed by Mr. O. E. C. Marton, of Deacons.

Tam Sum-hang, an employee of the Yu Ching Cheong Firm of Kobe, said on Tuesday that he had travelled to Hongkong for the purpose of giving evidence in the case. His job in Kobe was to prepare the advice notes and receipts of goods sent to plaintiffs.

Early Information

Yesterday, Mr. D'Almada pointed out that he had, according to his evidence, written out an advice note giving the date of the steamer Tilawa's sailing from Kobe correctly, though in fact that altered sailing was not generally known at that time.

"You must have had inside information," asked Counsel. Witness replied that he merely collected the goods book and one of the folios must have entered that book up.

Counsel: The only other alternative is that this was in fact written up much later.
Counsel recalled Mr. Wong's evidence that the advice notes and disbursements were added to the invoices shortly after the sailing of the ship, the point being that the invoices were in fact made up much nearer the ship's departure than Tam had said.

Witness denied that this was so. Mr. D'Almada suggested that all the advice notes and invoices in point were written up together for the purpose of the claim.

Witness denied the suggestion. He said he knew nothing of the financial side of the firm as between Hongkong and Japan.

Re-examined by Mr. Macnamara, witness said he received Yen 120 per month and a small bonus when profits were made.
Au Kat-cho, senior salesman of plaintiffs, described the method of receiving and selling the goods. The Order Book was open for customers to see and the invoices were useful as the firm made up from them their

SPORT ADVTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 18th March, 1939, commencing at 2.00 p.m.
The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

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Hongkong, 13th March, 1939.

TO MARRY SOON

The following forthcoming weddings are announced: Mr. Yu Yiu-hin, clerk of the Statistical Office of the Imports and Exports Department, and Miss Leung Yeung-wai, of 240 Queen's Road, West, Hongkong.
Mr. Lew Sou-gong, engineer, and Miss Lai Tuk-kan, of 12, Essex Crescent, Kowloon Tong.

Price lists when ordering goods from Japan.

Witness explained the many alterations in the prices and weights of goods as between the ordering and the selling. In damp weather some goods would swell and be overweight and in dry seasons the goods shrank and became underweight, both these factors influencing the price. As between two similar tins of awabi, too, there was a big difference between the quantities and these were sometimes mixed in the cases received. Witness demonstrated by picking out of a case opened in Court, some small, medium and large tins judged according to weight.
The hearing will be continued this morning.

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Katharine Hepburn and Cary Grant tell the world to go and jump into a lake in their latest co-starring effort, Columbia's "Holiday," a brave gay story of two young people in love with life and each other. The picture opens at the King's Theatre on Saturday.

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LATE NEWS

Briton Killed In Air Raid

Chungking, Mar. 16.
A British missionary is reported to have been killed yesterday when 10 Japanese planes staged a terrific air raid over the peacefully-rained town of Pingliang, in northeast Hunan. Forty other persons were also killed.

The British missionary was the superintendent of a hospital founded by a British Mission.

Several direct hits were made on the premises by the Japanese planes despite the conspicuous British insignia painted on the roof. A school nearby was also levelled to the ground.

Altogether 18 Japanese machines took part in the holocaust, raining more than 100 bombs in various sections of the town.

Shan in Shensi which was severely attacked by Japanese planes on Tuesday, was again raided yesterday.

Twenty-two machines came over the city in the morning and dumped between 60 and 70 missiles. They also dropped a large number of preposterous handbills.

So far 20 civilians are known to have been killed and wounded while more than 70 houses were demolished.

Earlier in the morning, Pingliang, in eastern Kansu, was attacked by 20 other planes which released some 60 bombs in the eastern outskirts.

Central News.

Ruthenians Oppose Hungarians

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Reports from Hus also indicate that a clash took place to-day between the Ruthenian and Czech militia following an explosion of a powder magazine which the Czechs are said to have ignited. It is reported that 50 persons were killed.

Trans-Ocean.

Memel To Join Reich?

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Trans-Ocean.

Slovaks Fight Invaders

Bratislava, Mar. 15.
Severe clashes between Hungarian troops and Slovaks are reported to have occurred this afternoon in Metzenlofen.

Casualties are said to be two killed and two wounded, while the Hungarians captured six Slovak prisoners.

The Hungarians were advancing in the direction of Czechoslovakia this evening. Hlinka Guards are in complete control of central Slovakia, while the German local defence organisations are maintaining order in the German districts.

Reuter.

Y.M.C.A. FIXTURES

The following European Y.M.C.A. fixtures for next week are announced:

Sunday, March 19.—Discussion Group at 9 p.m. The Rev. N. V. Halward, M.C., will speak on his "Experiences in Canton."

Monday, March 20.—Whist Drive at 8.30 p.m.

Tuesday, March 21.—W. S. Charity Sewing Bee at 10 a.m. Mixed Swimming from 6 p.m. to 8.30 Badminton from 8.30 p.m.

Wednesday, March 22.—W. S. Badminton from 10 a.m.

Thursday, March 23.—W. S. Competitive Games Morning—Bridge and Mahjong at 10 a.m. Ladies' Night at 8.30 p.m.

Friday, March 24.—W. S. Bridge Class and Practice Play at 10 a.m. Mixed Swimming from 6 to 8.30. Badminton from 8.30 p.m.

AMBULANCE BRIGADE

Nearly 10,000 Cases Treated In New Territories

During February a total of 9,740 cases were treated by the St. John Ambulance New Territories Medical Benevolent Branch, including 713 at Shum Chun and 429 in Nam Tau. During the month 3,224 vaccinations were carried out.

The bombing of Shum Chun and Nam Tau temporarily dislocated the work at those centres. A skeleton staff was maintained, and the two centres are now functioning again.

The Haw Par Accident Station, run by the Ambulance Brigade, answered 100 calls during the month and travelled a distance of 1,020 miles. Vaccinations at the Station totalled 3,375, while dressings numbered 401.

HEALTH BULLETIN

Six cases of Diphtheria, one each of Typhoid, Chicken-pox and Puerperal fever, 20 of Tuberculosis, 14 of Measles, nine of Meningitis, and three of Dysentery, were reported on Tuesday.

ORIENTAL

LAST 4 TIMES TO-DAY

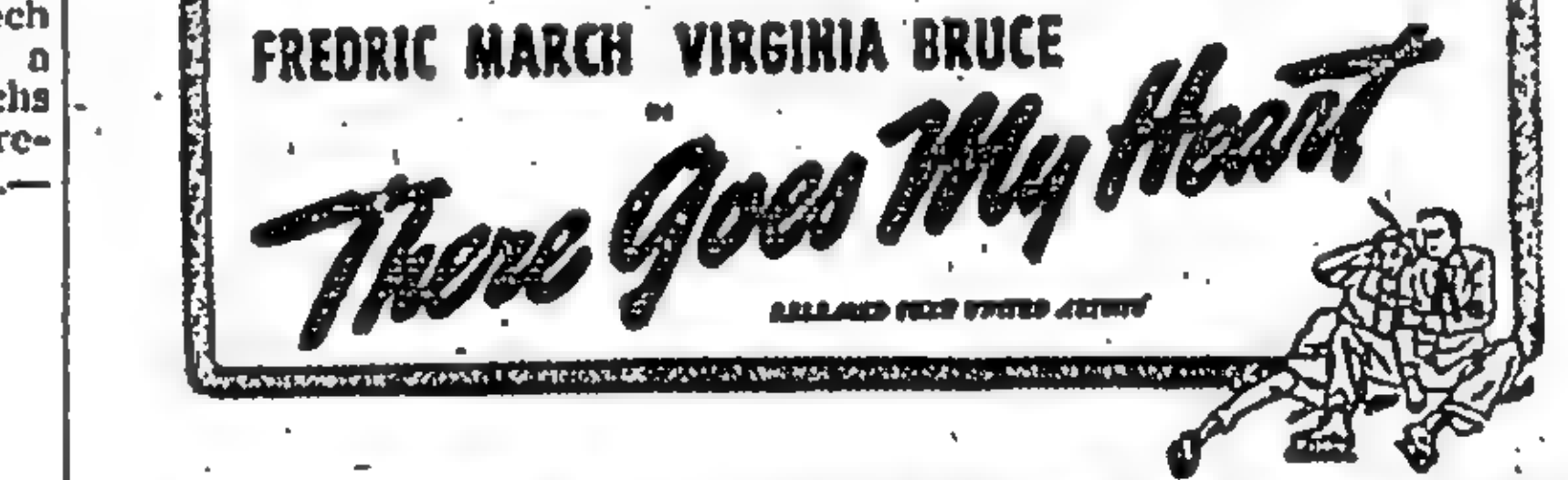
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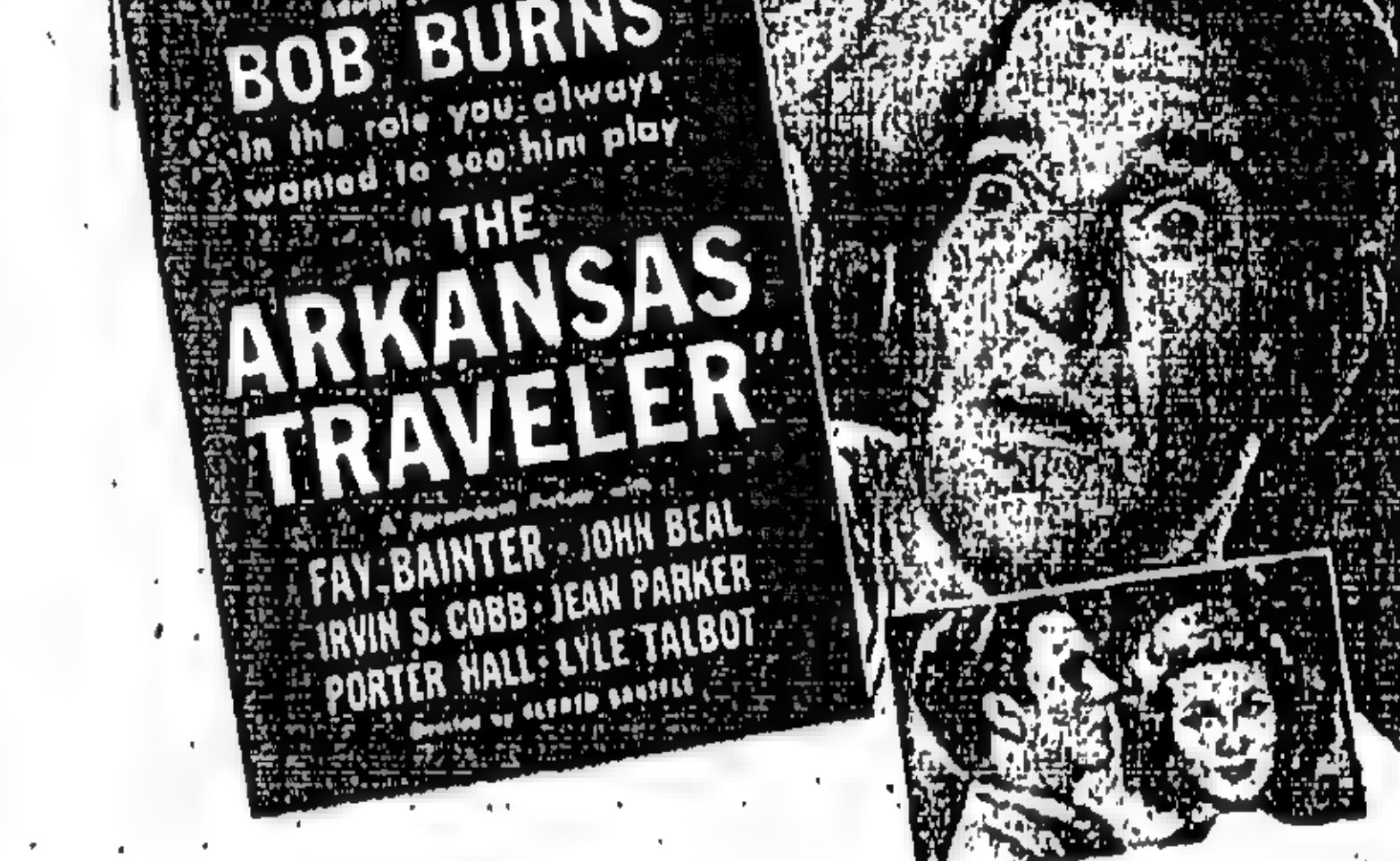
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Over 1,000 Cases Of T.B. Reported

For a little over seven weeks, tuberculosis has been a notifiable disease in Hongkong, and as a result, no less than 1,080 cases have been reported to the health authorities during that period up to last night.

This is an average of 150 per week, or 21 a day.

During the last 24 hours, twenty new notifications were made, including eight from Victoria, nine from Kowloon, two from the New Territories, and one from Rural Hongkong.

Yesterday also produced fourteen new cases of measles, nine of meningitis, six of diphtheria, three of dysentery, and one each of enteric fever, chicken-pox, and puerperal fever.

So far this year there have been 475 cases of measles, 203 cases of dysentery, 184 cases of meningitis, 157 of chicken-pox, 115 of diphtheria, 106 of enteric fever, 105 of small-pox, 12 of puerperal fever, five of cholera, and four of scarlet-fever.

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FIGHTING IN RUTHENIA: HUNGARIAN ULTIMATUM DEMANDS SURRENDER



Ruled black line shows the area of Czechoslovakia seized after September. The "head" now becomes German territory, the "torso" maintains a German vassalage, while the tail goes to Hungary.

COMMONS STATEMENT

"BITTERLY REGRET," SAYS CHAMBERLAIN

LONDON, Mar. 15.
MR. NEVILLE CHAMBERLAIN, the British Prime Minister, entered the House of Commons to-day to make a statement on Czechoslovakia, just before the end of question-time. He was greeted with Ministerial cheers and cries from the Opposition.

EFFECT ON BRITAIN

Future Policy Based On Further Acts

LONDON, Mar. 15.
THE EVENTS in Czechoslovakia were the main pre-occupation of the Cabinet at its meeting this morning. It is understood that the Ministers took a very grave view of the situation, and consequently will press on the re-armament programme to the utmost.

While British policy will continue to be directed towards a peaceful settlement of disputes, there seems little doubt that Ministers will henceforth base policy on the risks of further acts by Germany outside the boundaries of her own nationals.

Developments to-day backed up the view that the present situation, no effective action could be taken by this country.

The suggestion by Mr. Anthony Eden of an all-party Government has met with little support.

QUICKER THAN EXPECTED

The partition of Czechoslovakia has come quicker than expected, writes a diplomatic observer, but a policy of efficiency and rapidity with which Hitler seized Bohemia and Moravia came as no surprise.

The German formula has been identical in each of her three foreign successes in the last twelve months. First the ground is thoroughly prepared, and then, when all arrangements are complete, a mine is sprung and German troops have merely to take possession of territory gained by diplomacy.

This time, however, the soldiers were not received with flowers and cheers, but with cat-calls and hisses.

It is thought in some quarters that the two Czech provinces may prove rather a tough meal, but it must be remembered that German digestion has shown itself to be remarkably sound.

It is not known whether Germany fully approves of Hungary's seizure of Ruthenia, but it is believed that the Czechs are of great importance to it as Hungary, by herself, could not offer much resistance to Germany's pressure in the East.

POLES DISTURBED

Poland and Italy profess satisfaction at Hungary's action, but it is gathered that the Czechs are deeply disturbed over the position in Slovakia. Diplomats are asking in which direction will come the next move.

MOBILISATION ORDERED TO DEFEND NEW NATION

BRATISLAVA, Mar. 15.
THE RUTHENIAN PARLIAMENT HAS PROCLAIMED RUTHENIA TO BE AN INDEPENDENT SOVEREIGN STATE AND WILL RESIST HUNGARIAN ENCROACHMENT, STATES "UNITED PRESS."

"Havas" reports that the Hungarian Foreign Minister, Count Csaky, has presented an ultimatum to the Premier of Ruthenia demanding a reply to the Hungarian proposal for cession of Ruthenia to Hungary by 8 p.m. (4 a.m. H.K.T.).

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GERMAN INVASION:
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Poland ignores appeal
The Polish Government does not intend to accept the appeal of the Ruthenian Premier, in which he announced the independence of that country, it was officially stated here to-day.

M. Volosine has appealed to the Polish Government for co-operation with the new State.—Trans-Ocean.

COMPLETELY SHORN
OF POWERS
BRATISLAVA, Mar. 15.
M. KARL SIDOR, the former Czechoslovak Minister of the Interior in the Slovak Cabinet, has gone on a holiday. It will last for four weeks, and it is not expected that he will return to office.

Meanwhile, Premier Tiso, whose appeal to Hitler, on behalf of Slovak independence, succeeded, has temporarily taken charge of the Ministry of the Interior.—Trans-Ocean.

NO ARMY
The new Slovak Republic will be completely shorn of all powers. It will have no army and will be utterly dependent upon Germany for maintenance of territorial integrity.

German troops have already invaded the new Republic, for the purpose of "maintaining order."

The population of the new Republic is 2,249,000, as compared with the former population of 14,000,000 of the Czechoslovak Republic.

Some quarters believe that Herr Hitler will maintain the fiction of Slovakian independence in order to provide a buffer between the new

German provinces of Czechia and the Russians.

WARSAW, Mar. 15.
The Polish Government has decided to establish a Polish Legation in Bratislava, thereby practically recognising the independence of Slovakia.

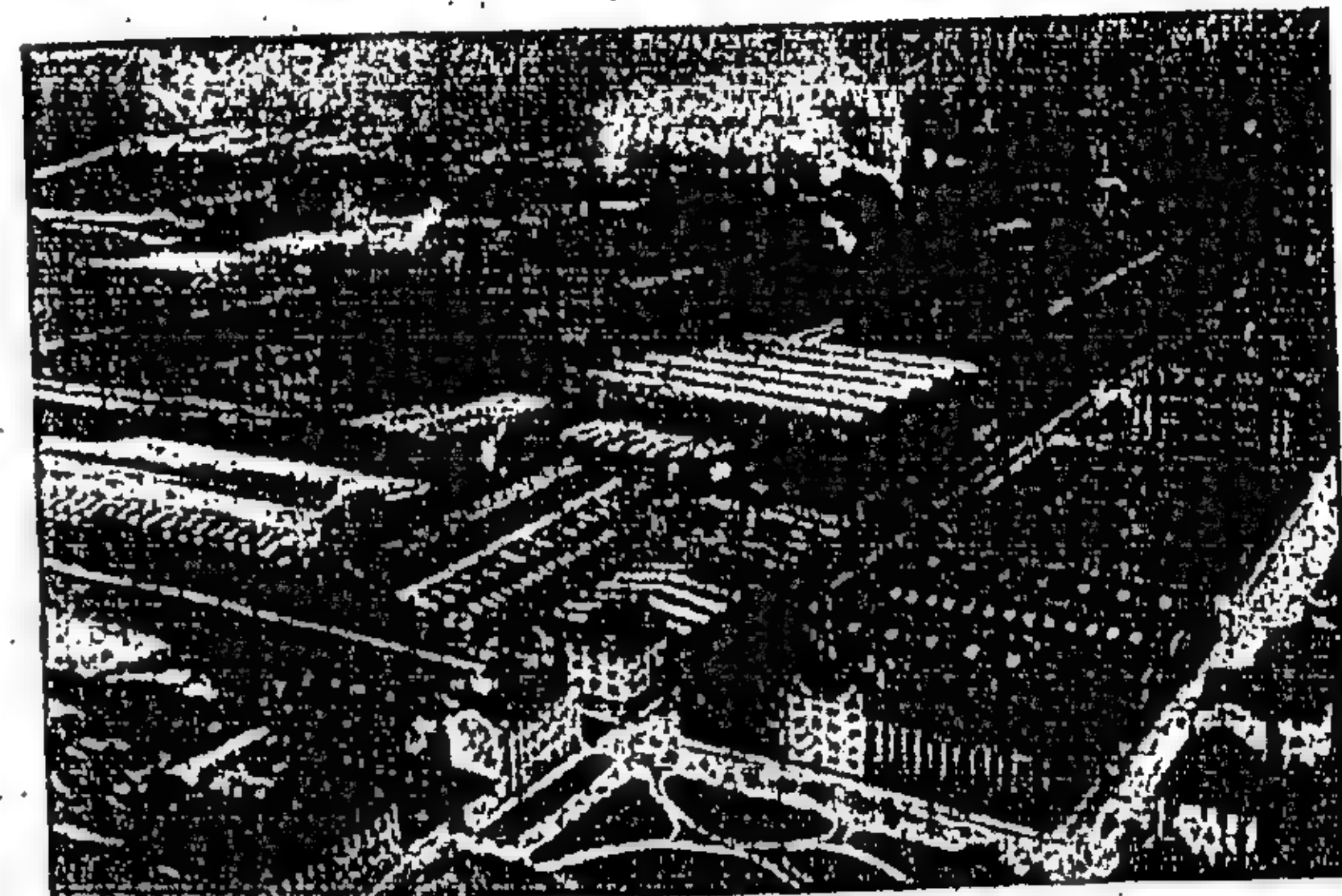
The Polish Consul-General in Uzhhorod has been appointed Charge d'Affaires in Bratislava.—Trans-Ocean.

ULTIMATUM NOT MET
Budapest, Mar. 15.
The reply to the Hungarian ultimatum to Ruthenia was received here from Premier Volosine this evening.

In his answer, the Ruthenian Premier declared that three representatives of the Ruthenian Government were en route to Budapest and requested the Hungarian Government to terminate immediately all military operations in the country.

The Hungarian Foreign Minister, Count Csaky, replied that the Ruthenian delegation would be received with hospitality, but that it was impossible to interrupt military operations because they had already advanced to a stage at various points.

Count Csaky also expressed the hope that Premier Volosine would exert all his influence to prevent unnecessary bloodshed in Ruthenia.—Trans-Ocean.



A VIEW OF THE vast Czech armament works near Pilsen. These will now become German property.



TYN CHURCH in Prague. Here John Huss preached, and at its base stands his statue. Tower at left is the Old Town Hall with famed intricate clock.

MEMEL MAY JOIN REICH

To Seek German Protection?

PARIS, Mar. 15.
THE BERLIN BUREAU of "Havas" reports that rumours current in Berlin say that German nationalists residing in Memel Territory in Lithuania and Danzig Free City, encouraged by the annexation of Czechoslovakia by Germany, would petition to Reichsfuehrer Hitler to annex the two cities and place them under Germany's protection.—Domet.

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GERMANY AGREES
According to a Berlin report, a source close to the Government declares that no demarche has been made by Germany to Budapest commanding the withdrawal of Hungarian troops from Ruthenia.

It is believed that no such demarche is contemplated.

The Vienna agreement was a "thing of the past," and it is a safe bet that Hungary would not have marched into Ruthenia if Germany had objected.—United Press.

TO-NIGHT, for the first time in the history of our Colony, the First Lady of Hongkong will make a broadcast speech from Government House.

Lady Northcote has graciously consented to talk to radio listeners on the subject of the work of the K.W.O.A. The broadcast will commence at 8.05 p.m.

Lady Northcote's speech, which will be given from her study in Government House, will be broadcast by ZBW.

Electrical filters arrived at Government House at 11.30 a.m. to wire and install the microphone for this evening's broadcast.

The P. & O. steamer Jeypore is due here to-morrow at about 11 a.m.

CHINA LOAN BILL IS INTRODUCED

Interest At Rate
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LONDON, Mar. 15.
SIR JOHN SIMON, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to-day introduced into the House of Commons, the China Currency Stabilisation Bill, providing for the establishment of a £10,000,000 fund to check undue fluctuations in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar.

He said that the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation would subscribe £3,000,000, the Chartered Bank of India and Australia would provide £2,000,000, and the Bank of China and the Bank of Communications would jointly subscribe £5,000,000.

The Management of the fund was vested in a committee of five, two of which were appointed jointly by the Chinese banks, one each by the Hongkong and Shanghai and the Chartered banks, and one would be a British expert appointed by the Chinese Government in agreement with the approval of the British banks.

THE DUTY OF COMMITTEE
The duty of the committee would be to determine from day to day the policy best suited to achieve the purpose of checking undue fluctuations in the sterling value of the Chinese dollar.

The Hongkong and Shanghai and the Chartered banks would receive interest every six months at 2 3/4 per cent. The Chinese banks would undertake to pay interest insofar as it was not met by earnings from any

See Back Page For
Further Late News

INVESTMENTS held for the sterling account fund in London, and the Treasury will guarantee payments of interest.

The Treasury will also guarantee the British banks against any loss up to £5,000,000 when the fund is wound up.

EXCESS TO TREASURY
If, on winding up, the British banks receive in sterling, apart from interest, more than the original subscription, they will pay the excess to the Treasury.

The arrangements will remain in force for a year, but can be renewed for further periods of six months.

The British banks, with the consent of the Treasury, or the Chinese banks, with the consent of the Chinese Government, can determine the arrangements at any time by giving seven days' notice.—Reuter.

LATEST

The King Commands Ballet Gala at Covent Garden

M. LEBRUN WILL BE GUEST OF HONOUR

FOR the first time since pre-war days a Royal Command ballet performance is to be given at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, on March 22.

It will be held in honour of the French President and Madame Lebrun, who are in London on a State visit. And thus, for a night, the stateliest of all theatres will once again be the scene of pageantry and royal pomp.

Every man present will wear uniform or Court dress. Women will be expected to wear tiaras and other jewelled adornments.

FESTOONS OF FLOWERS
Festoons of blooms will be used to decorate the auditorium. But only those near the Royal boxes will be real, as the scent would otherwise be too overpowering.

Yemen of the Guard in their picturesque Tudor uniforms will line the grand staircase as the King and Queen and their guests arrive.

If precedent is followed the entire Opera House will be at the disposal of the King and Queen and their guests. Price and the position of seats will make no difference and stalls and gallery will be occupied by royal guests.

As in the past, royal permission will be given for some boxes and seats to be sold. But the prices will be high.

PROGRAMME CHOSEN
The great boxes will occupy almost the whole of the grand tier, the cen-

tral one being for the King and Queen and M. and Mme. Lebrun. On either side will be members of the Diplomatic Corps and their wives and leaders of the Government.

In the past the foyer on the first floor has served as an ante-room to the royal box, and it is anticipated that this arrangement will be repeated.

The King and Queen have chosen the programme, which will be provided by the Vic-Wells Ballet and the London Philharmonic Orchestra. Like their foreign guests, their Majesties keenly enjoy ballet.

SILK LANDMARK

MT. PLEASANT, O.
A building in which the first American silk was grown has been ordered razed by the state fire marshal. Built in 1942 by John W. Gill, the structure served as a place for development of silk worm cocoons.



COLONEL WEARS A HAT—Here's Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, right, in an unusual situation. He's wearing a hat. Besides that fact, instead of boarding an airplane, he's going aboard the English Channel boat at Dover, England, to return to Paris, where he and his family live temporarily. The American airman has been studying European aviation.



Manufacturers couldn't make bathing suits much briefer, so they're producing them in partially transparent material. Patricia Lee, Earl Carroll's nomination for "Miss America," is showing one she planned to wear at the forthcoming Los Angeles spring fashion show.

Smoking In Bed Denial At Inquest

WHEELED in an invalid chair to a Newcastle inquest recently a man heard the jury find that a boarding-house fire which caused five deaths started in his room and that he was intoxicated at the time.

The man, William Ferguson, a boarder, whose head and throat were bandaged, was brought to give evidence from Newcastle Infirmary, where he has been detained with injuries received in the fire which occurred at Leazes Terrace, Newcastle.

"BED ON FIRE"

Ferguson told the coroner (Sir Alfred Appleby): "I came home about one o'clock, or it may have been two, in the morning.

"There was a fire in my room grate and I blazed it up by opening the 'fret'.

"I then closed the door, left the room, and made a cup of tea. Returning to my room, I was met by smoke and flames and intense heat. The fire seemed to be behind the door and my bed seemed to be on fire. I gave the alarm and was then overcome."

Ferguson added: "I was slightly under the influence of drink. I had had a few drinks, but I knew what I was doing."

SMOKING DENIAL

He denied smoking in bed. "I was not smoking during the few minutes I was in my room," he said.

The jury's verdict was that they were satisfied that the fire started in Ferguson's room, that he was intoxicated at the time, but that there was not sufficient evidence to show how the fire started.

READS 50 BOOKS

RITTMAN, O.
Six-year-old Ben Redger, starting to school for the first time, appears a little bored while his classmates struggle with elementary reading. Ben, a veteran, has been reading ever since he was 4, and in the past year has averaged one book a week.

CLEAN OUT YOUR STOMACH

—and enjoy your food!

There are some people who never really enjoy their food because no matter how long ago it was since they last had a meal, they always feel "full up." Some feel as though a lump were lodged in the middle of their chests—others as though their stomachs were blown out like a balloon with wind and gas.

This is because the food from their last meal has not been completely digested, and remains behind in the stomach, turning bad and forming acid and evil gases. Food must be digested and cleaned right out of the stomach after every meal. If you are to feel ready to eat at the proper time.

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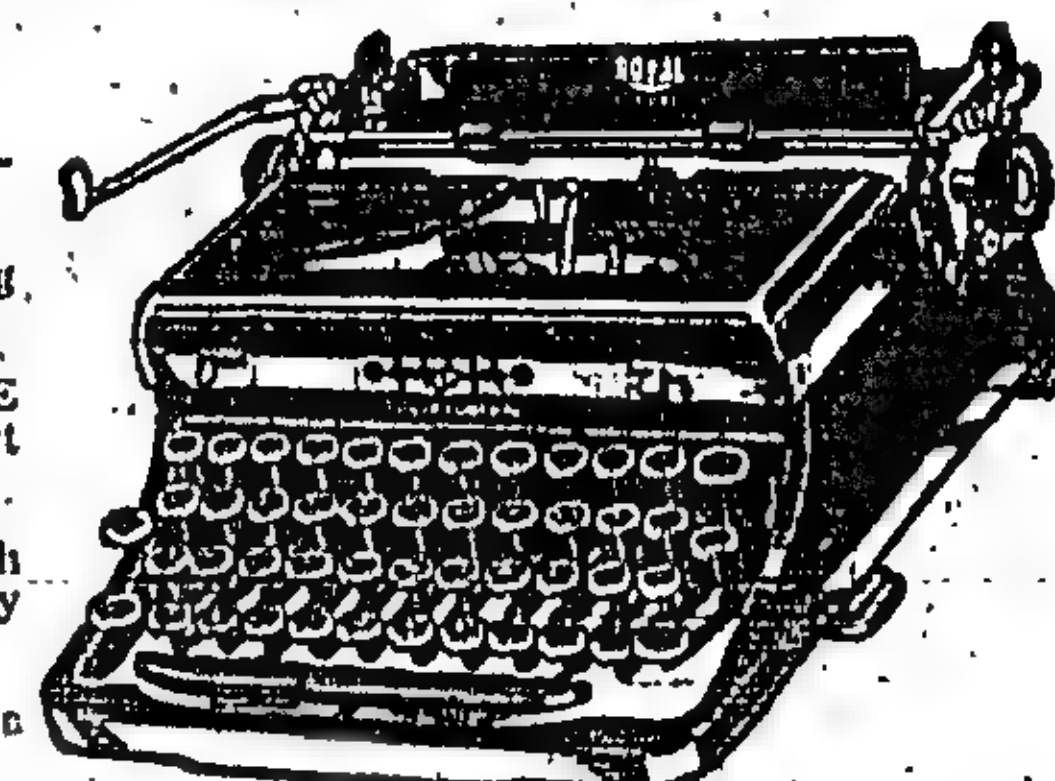
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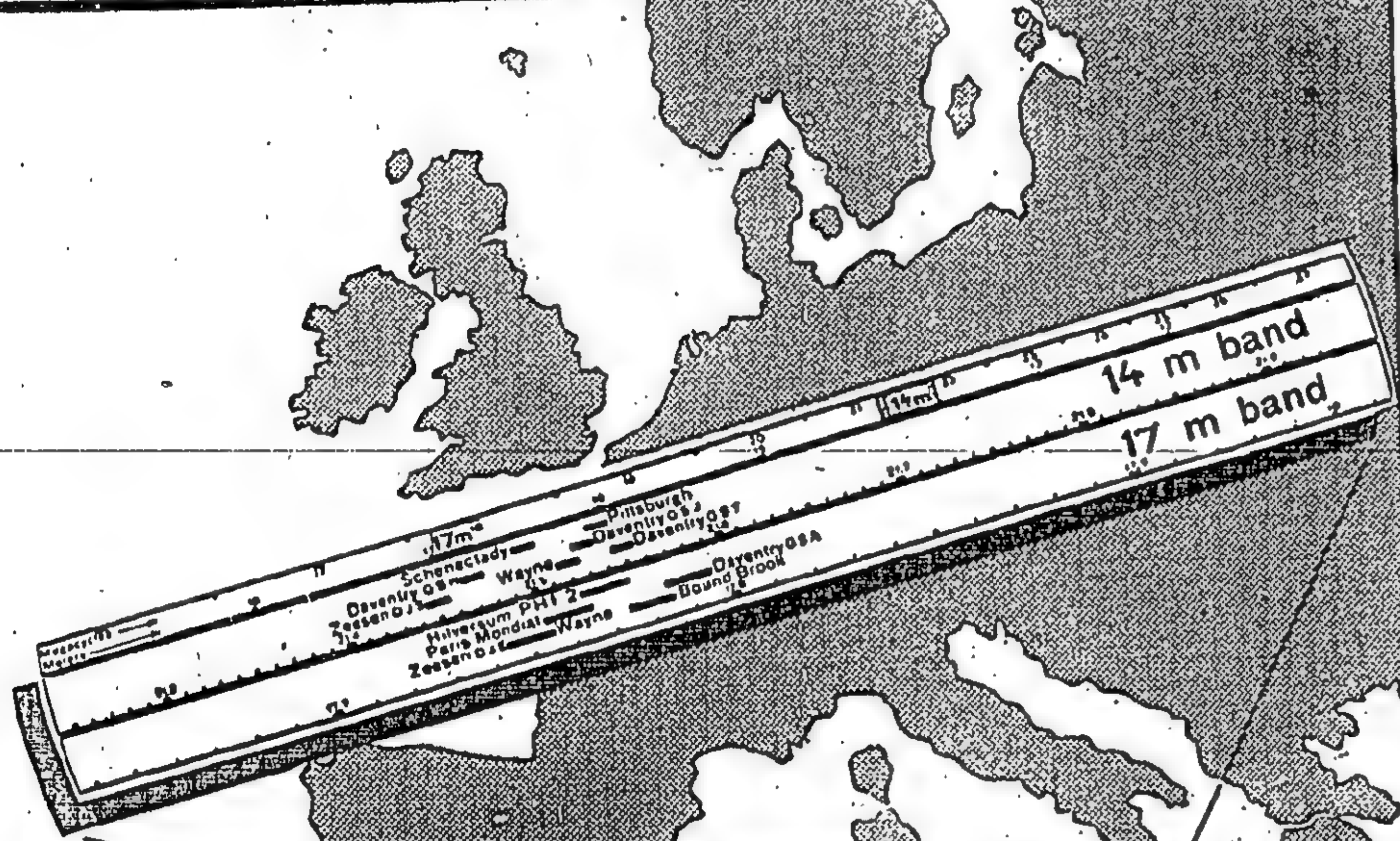
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TO-MORROW
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SATURDAY
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The King Will Take His Crown To Canada

The Queen Will Wear Hers Too—With Koh-i-noor

Fashion Secrets Closely Kept

WHEN the King and Queen go to Canada in the spring it has been decided that they shall take royal crowns with them. This will be the first time in history that British Crown Jewels have crossed the Atlantic.

Most likely the crown to be taken by the King will be the Imperial State Crown, which has been altered to suit and which he has already worn three times.

It contains a pair of Queen Elizabeth's earrings and the romantic Stuart sapphire, emeralds cut out of the country by James II and restored to the Crown years afterwards.

The Queen's crown which she will take has the Koh-i-noor diamond set in it. It is made of platinum and set entirely with diamonds. It has detachable arches so that it can be worn as an open coronet.

The Queen will be able to detach the Koh-i-noor from her crown and wear it on other occasions planned to her dress.

SPECIALLY DESIGNED FOR THE QUEEN

An interesting tradition about this famous stone, and one always respected by the Royal Family, is that it must be worn only by a woman for fear of an ancient curse.

Tremendous efforts are being made both from Canada and the United States to penetrate the closely guarded secrets of the dresses which have been specially designed for the Queen. As much as £1,000 has been offered for a model of one dress.

No details are to be made known until the Queen actually appears in them, but this much is hinted—they will launch new vogues.

The Queen will take fifty gowns and coats with her and a hat for each day ensemble. On some days she will wear three different outfits, and the crowded schedule demands that these changes shall be made with the maximum speed possible.

SO EFFECTIVE ON PARIS VISIT

Here is a forecast of the trends which the Queen's clothes will follow:

Colours will include no black, but some black and white, a good

deal of the white, which proved so effective on the Paris visit, several shades of blue, which has been her favourite colour from girlhood, and pastel tints.

Daytime lines will be based on neat defined waists, flared skirts and shorter hemlines.

"Garden party" gowns will be included, some short sleeved to be worn with elbow-length gloves. For summery dresses modernist designs are ruled out; natural flower patterns will be featured.

Hats, while actually fairly flat, will be built up in the crown to give an impression of height. This effect will be achieved partly by artificial flowers so natural that they could be mistaken for the real thing instead of feather trimmings such as the Queen has been wearing lately.

Fur trimmings will be less in evidence than in the past, but the Queen will take with her several hand-some furs.

A marked difference is anticipated between the clothes designed for Canada and those to be worn in the U.S.A.

The reason for this is that Canadians have expressed the wish that their Queen shall look as "regal" as possible, while in the United States the King and Queen will be regarded as the head of a friendly State and his consort rather than as state-visiting royalty.

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FISH LEAPS LOOP—Dr. Mieczyslaw Oxner, ichthyologist at Monte Carlo aquarium, asserts that fish have intelligence. To prove it, he exhibits a scorpion-fish, which he has trained to leap through a hoop, as above.

Girls Told Don't Wed Old Men

LONDON business girls, sitting in Christ Church, Westminster, S.W., recently, heard solemn warnings against—

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EMPIRE NEWS

FLIER WHO SET UP A RECORD KILLED

Calcutta. Lt. Pulowsky, the German airman who in December claimed to have set up a long-distance record by flying from Benghazi, Tripoli, to Guya, Bihar, British India, was killed at Madras recently.

He was giving a demonstration flight with an Indian, Mr. Ratnam, as passenger, and the crash took place shortly after the plane had left the aerodrome. Mr. Ratnam died from his injuries.

Lt. Pulowsky and Lt. Jonett, his companion on the record flight, were returning to Berlin leisurely from Australia.

Sandbags.—The Indian Jute Mills Association states that it has no knowledge of a further large order for sandbags reported to have been given by Britain.

Congress and League.—A Congress resolution for India's immediate withdrawal from the League of Nations because "the League had failed to implement the Sanctions article of the Covenant," and Britain had persisted in following a wrong policy in Palestine, was passed by the Legislative Assembly by 55 votes to 45.

India's membership of the League is a matter over which the Legislature under the present Constitution has no authority.—Renter.

SOUTH AFRICA

LORD MARLEY ON HIS BANNED BROADCAST

Johannesburg. Lord Marley commented recently on the refusal of the South African Broadcasting Corporation to allow him to broadcast his address on "Refugees and the International Situation."

Anyone, he said, who read the statement he proposed to make with an open mind would agree that it was so concerned with the facts that it became a matter of public interest and was not in any sense a political commentary.

Defence Register.—Mr. Pirow, Minister of Defence, stated in the House of Assembly recently that his department was considering in what way the Defence Act could be supplemented by voluntary assistance. This would necessitate the establishment of special units.

AUSTRALIA

BRITAIN'S SHORTAGE OF SHIPS

Sydney. Earl Beatty stated in an interview recently, on his arrival from New Zealand, that Britain had 2,000 fewer merchant ships than she had in 1914.

He doubted, he said, whether she had sufficient ships for her needs in a war crisis. The building up of the British Merchant Marine was an essential part of the Empire rearmament programme.

Cure For Indigestion

If you are attacked by indigestion don't automatically blame food.

It is probably being caused by your shoes.

Wearing the wrong type of shoe causes indigestion, headaches, and backaches, says a recent report of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research.

Test shoes were issued to a number of people in various occupations, and their effect on health studied.

The experiments are to be continued and results tabulated.

DO FISH SLEEP?

We are genuinely sorry for our goldfish. He has nowhere to lie down, except on the hard glass floor of his little bowl. And he yawns all day long, as if even the crispest ant's egg would bore him to tears.

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CURFEW IN PRAGUE

(Continued from Page 1.)

plete defence of Bohemia and Moravia.
The Nuremberg Jew laws will probably be introduced in the new territory—United Press.

TENSION AMONG NEIGHBOURS
Prague, Mar. 15.
Herr Hitler and his army marched East to-day, chasing the last part of democratic Czechoslovakia, while Hungary, Poland and Rumania fought to share the spoils.

Meanwhile, Rumania is reported to be mobilising her frontier reinforcements possibly to make a bid for a slice of Ruthenia.

There is general tension in Yugoslavia, and the authorities have decided to take military precautions on the northern frontier facing Hungary and Rumania.

Terror prevailed in Prague to-day among those who fear Nazi reprisals, especially the Jews. It is reported that many suicides have taken place.

The arrival of 800 Nazi secret police has increased apprehension.

The atmosphere was so hostile that the German forces imposed on 1 p.m. curfew and troops carried riot guns in addition to their ordinary arms.

It is reported that they mounted machine guns at strategic points to command the crowds.

It is noteworthy that it is the first time Hitler's soldiers have ever been booed publicly.—United Press.

"Biggest Fire" In Manila

Million Pesos Loss
In Conflagration

MANILA, Mar. 16.

THE BIGGEST FIRE so far this year has gutted the Philippine Education Company's bodegas and also the McCullough Printing Company in the Quiapo district.

The fire broke out at 11.40 last night.

Damage is reported at between 1,000,000 and 1,500,000 pesos in buildings, machinery, paper, books, magazines and office equipment.

There were no casualties, and the fire was brought under control about 2 o'clock this morning.

Investigations disclosed that the fire started on the second floor of McCullough Company's offices in a wing of the building where two men were working overtime.

The cause has not yet been determined, but there is a theory that it may have been due to electric wiring trouble.—United Press.

EXTORTION CASE

Clerk Remanded For Sentence

Convicted on a charge of attempted extortion by Mr. Q. A. A. Macdonald at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, a man named Fu Yun-ming, 32, clerk, was remanded in police custody for 24 hours prior to sentence being passed.

Mr. Macdonald said that the sentence will be \$250 or three months' hard labour, to date from March 6.

The defendant was accused of having attempted to extort \$1,000 from Loong Sheung, former Chief Paymaster of the Shanghai Public Safety Bureau, by threatening to publish certain matters alleging that Loong had appropriated certain monies paid to him by the Chinese Government authorities as wages for persons working under him two years ago.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of the Company, 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 27th March, 1939, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from 16th to 27th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1939.

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Notice to Shareholders

The Seventieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 24th March, 1939, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 10th to the 24th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY FRIDAY—17th MARCH, 1939.

A wreath will be laid at the Cenotaph by the President and Committee of St. Patrick's Society, at 11.00 a.m.

Members of the Society and their friends are asked to assemble under the verandah at the North side of the Supreme Court prior to the ceremony.

ST. PATRICK'S BALL PENINSULA HOTEL—9.30 p.m.

Members of St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong and their guests are informed that there will be a Special FIVE MINUTES Service of "STAR" FERRIES from HONG KONG to KOWLOON between 9.00 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. on 17th March and SPECIAL FERRIES from KOWLOON to HONG KONG at 2.00 a.m., 2.45 a.m. and 3.15 a.m. on the following morning. The last ordinary Ferry leaves at 1.15 a.m.

A BUFFET SUPPER will be served from 11.30 p.m. to 1.30 a.m. Tables may be booked with the Management of the Peninsula Hotel before 7.00 p.m. on the night of the Ball.

Admission to the Ball is by ticket only which is to be presented at the MAIN ENTRANCE to the Hotel.

Tickets may be obtained from Mr. P. J. A. Hamilton, Hon. Treasurer, P.O. Box 417 or Harbour View Hotel, Chatham Road, Kowloon.

B. H. C. HALLOWES,
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Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,

Secretary and Manager.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1939.

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1939—1940.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the Royal Naval Hospital, until 10 a.m. on the 21st March, 1939, from persons desirous of supplying Beef, Mutton, Poultry, Pork, Cheese, Pure Cow's Milk, Ice, and other provisions and necessaries, for the year ending 31st March, 1940.

Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the Royal Naval Hospital.

The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.

G. V. HOMES,

Surgeon Captain,

Medical Officer in Charge.

Royal Naval Hospital,

Hong Kong.

15th, March, 1939.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

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PRUNES AND RAISINS

San Jose, Cal.
California always has an excess production of prunes and welcomes any suggestion that will dispose of them. The last one comes from the California Dried Fruit Research Bureau, which has found that chopped prunes improve the texture and whiteness of mincemeat, without, however, reducing the amount of raisins as California also has raisins to sell.

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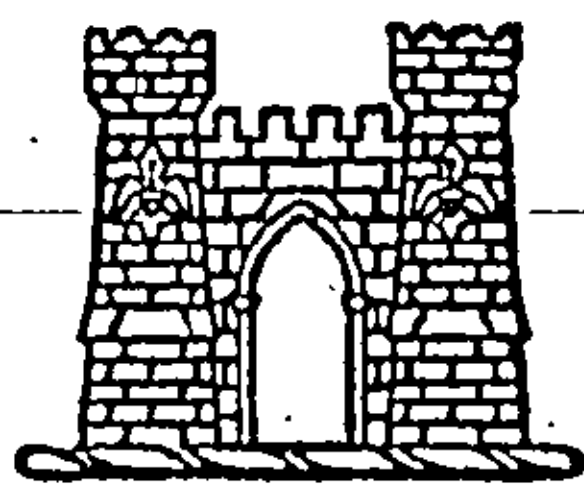
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DEATH

SOUSA—At the St. Paul's Hospital, early this morning, Genovva Isabel de Xaxier e Souza, at the age of 63 years, the funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day.

The
Hongkong Telegraph.
Wyndham St., Hongkong
Phone 26615
March 16, 1939

Map Makers

THE FULL RESULTS of what happened at Munich are now manifest. They confirm fears expressed at the time. Czechoslovakia is now what Hitler set out to make it—part of the Greater Reich.

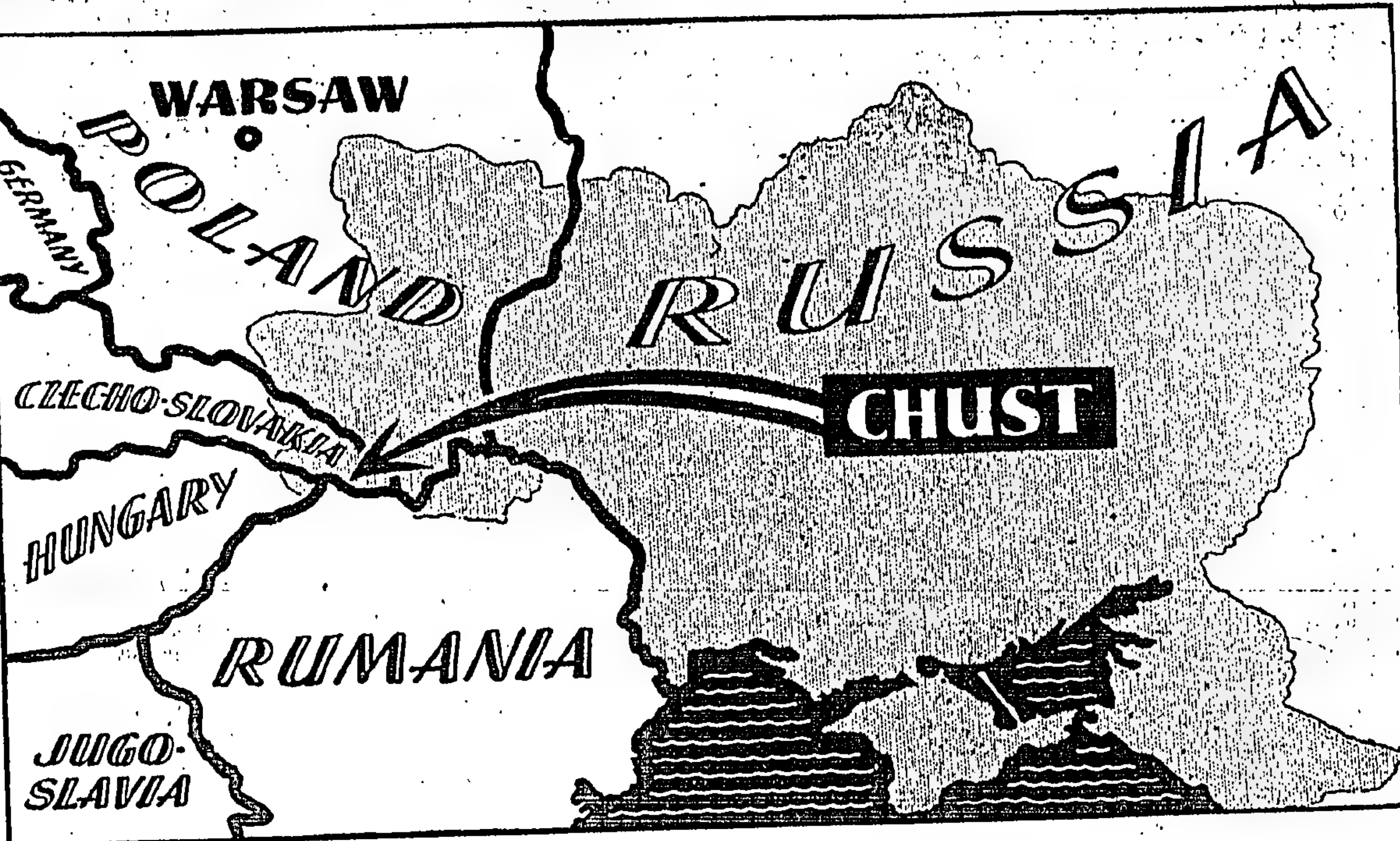
The unfortunate Republic, born of the Great War, may be likened to a human corpse. The arms were amputated in September, the head is now severed and becomes a German trophy; Hungary takes the Ruthenian legs. There remains but the torso of Slovakia, which becomes, in all but name, a vassal State of Germany.

In accepting the "advice" of Great Britain and France in September last, Czechoslovakia sealed her fate. True, there would have been war—a war on a terrifying scale into which the whole of Europe would have been dragged—but Czechoslovakia, in the light of subsequent events, could hardly have been the loser.

Like Belgium in 1914 she would have paid dearly in the blood of her patriots, but she would have gained honour and freedom for her children. Out of Belgium's sorrow and torment of the four years of Great War emerged a country free and unshackled, honoured by the democracies of the world for the part she played in defending Right against Might, and, indeed, defended by those democracies for her steadfast resolution to uphold her integrity.

The events of the past six months have been planned and consummated by Germany with almost diabolical ease. There is no doubt but that war would have come to Europe had Herr Hitler attempted to fulfil his territorial ambitions in Czechoslovakia in one fell swoop. There was firstly the Godesburg Agreement, announced as the extreme limit of concession to which Mr. Chamberlain and M. Daladier were prepared to accede. Czechoslovakia was told to accept these demands or forfeit the support and friendship of her guarantors. But Godesburg was followed by Munich, which exceeded Hitler's original demands. Mr. Chamberlain and M. Daladier acquiesced in the extra grab. Yesterday's events were a natural sequel predicted to the very date by newspaper correspondents who, only two days ago, were chided by Lord Halifax for spreading "sensational and inaccurate forecasts of events about to take place in Europe."

You cannot read the news about Czechoslovakia without feeling that dirty taste in your mouth.



Village all Europe is watching

UNTIL a few months ago Chust was just a mountain village.

Now it is Europe's newest capital, and its handful of broken-down victorias—there are no such things as taxis—are working overtime carrying all sorts of imposing personages through the muddy streets.

The streets are so muddy that on rainy days cabs and carts often get stuck altogether, and people walking find themselves ankle-deep in the mud. Most of the days seem rainy.

There are only two inns in the village. They are full to overflowing.

The Government building is just the old urban district council offices. It has three storeys and is the highest building in the village. It is even built of stone.

Of the newcomers to the village, two stand out. They are the Consul-general of Germany and Italy, sent there when, after Munich, Chust became the capital of the new autonomous province of Carpatho-Ukraine. You used to know it as Ruthenia.

Other people followed these two to Chust. A connoisseur of European underground politics would have recognised them easily. They were all experts in espionage, civil war, gang warfare, intrigue and bribery.

The 20,000 inhabitants of Chust slowly woke up to their new importance. To begin with, they got a new aerodrome and the villagers looked with surprise at the big shiny German Junker planes that began to cruise overhead.

What made Hitler insist on refusing to divide Carpatho-Ukraine, with its little capital at Chust, between Hungary and Poland? Why is Chust so full of ambassadors and secret agents?

Anti-Russia Moves

The answer to these questions takes us back to the days when the Tsar ruled in Russia and when—deep underground—men were fighting for the independence of the Ukraine. The Tsar would have none of such men. He sent the leaders off to prison-camps in Siberia when he caught them. Those who escaped him fled abroad, and settled in fringes of Ukrainian territory which belonged to the Austrian Empire.

There they set up a "Ukrainian Information Office" and carried on anti-Russian activities. When the Tsar collapsed and the Bolsheviks came to power, these Ukrainian "separatists" thought that their moment had come. They formed an "Association for the Liberation of the Ukraine and the Destruction of Russia," moved into Russo-Ukrainian territory, elected a Central Committee in Kiev and proclaimed the independence of the Ukraine.

Petljura The Terrible

They had the support of many reactionary, anti-Bolshevik elements. Naturally the Soviets did not want to lose the rich wheatfields of the Ukraine. They fought back, but were repulsed by invading German and Austrian troops, who protected the independent Ukraine and supported the first Hetman (leader), Skoropadski, a Cossack general.

But then came the defeat of Germany and Austria in the Great War. Skoropadski had to make way for a new Hetman more friendly with the Entente Powers. The new Hetman was Petljura the Terrible.

Petljura started off in a big way. In a proclamation he announced the union of the Russian Ukraine with the "Western Ukrainians" who had been part of the Austrian Empire. His proclamation included in the new Ukrainian State part of Galicia, Bukovina, Bessarabia and Carpatho-Russia.

The memory of Petljura's rule is still horrible in the Ukraine. As a persecutor of the Jews he dwarfed Hitler and Julius Streicher. As the head of his Cossacks he harassed the Jewish villages of the Ukraine, urging his troops to ever greater excesses.

Later, Petljura paid for his crimes. Long after his dreams of a Great Ukraine had evaporated into the air, he lived in Paris, an exile. There, in 1926, he was seen in the street, shot and killed by a Polish-Jewish poet named Shalom Schwartzbard.

Schwartzbard was a remarkable fellow. Originally a watchmaker, he left his native town of Smolensk in Poland as a young man and went to France. He fought in the French Army during the War.

But in 1917 he left France and went to join the Bolshevik armies in Russia.

There the horror of Petljura's pogroms ate into his heart. When he was put on trial in Paris for murdering the oppressor he explained simply to the jury: "Twelve of my near blood-relatives were killed by this man's orders."

Schwartzbard was acquitted, and Petljura denounced. All France said, "Not the murderer but the victim was guilty."

Schwartzbard died in Cape Town last March.

That was how Petljura came to an end. But his idea of an independent Ukraine came to an end long before. There was no real desire for independence among the Ukrainians.

So five countries got their share of Ukraine. The peace treaties gave Western Ukraine to the new Polish State. Bessarabia and Bukovina went to Rumania, and Carpatho-Russia, formerly a part of Hungary, went to Czechoslovakia.

So five countries got their share of Petljura's Ukrainian dream State: Russia, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Rumania and Hungary.

Everything might have settled down if the Ukraine had not become one of the chief objects of Hitler's expansionist plans.

Hitler backs the idea of an independent Ukrainian State, because in her richest territory, and divide up Poland and subjugated Czechoslovakia.

He is using old and approved Nazi methods to achieve this end. He found there were still a few Ukrainians dreaming of their own State. It was not difficult to organise them into an efficient body.

Hitler's Real Object

An office was created, this time in Danzig, called the "Central Committee for the Establishment of an Independent Ukraine." A former Ukrainian Tsarist general, Ziellinski, is in charge of this office.

From the Danzig headquarters the Central Committee began to stir up Ukrainian Nationalist feeling in Poland. Ukrainian stormtroops were formed on the lines of the old illegal Austrian S.A.

A complete military and political organisation was built up. Officers and men were given uniforms. These resemble the German stormtroop uniforms, but are grey-blue in colour instead of brown. The Ukrainian stormtroops are called Slezky Guards (Sharp-shooters).

For years Ziellinski has carried on his work, building up this organisation. At first he worked in secret, because Germany and Poland were supposed to be on good terms with one another.

Now he has come out in the open with his men. They were put to official use for the first time after the Munich agreement: in Carpatho-Ukraine Slezky Guards do police duty to-day.

Now you see why Hitler insisted on an autonomous Ukrainian State. Chust was to be the spring-board of future Ukrainian developments. Ziellinski moved his Central Committee to Chust. Supported, and financed from Germany, he was the man chosen to lead the pan-Ukrainian movement.

He takes his order from Hitler. And Hitler, following his old practice, appointed a Commissioner for the Ukraine with headquarters in Berlin. He is Nikola Suschko, a former officer in Petljura's army.

What is the point of the Berlin Bureau? and of the Central Committee in Chust? What does Hitler want them to do?

Terrorist bands were organized and armed. These bands are raiding Polish and Russian territory.

Already several battles have taken place. The flags of the bands are blue and gold, like the ones that fly above Ziellinski's office.

Emissaries of Ziellinski stir up trouble in the Ukrainian parts of Poland goading on the people to demand autonomy for the Polish Ukraine.

The Polish authorities are fighting the terrorists, but the story of Austria and the Sudetenland, and later Czechoslovakia, shows how difficult it is to stamp out such movements. The Slezky Guards stick to the tactics used by the illegal stormtroops in all the countries where Hitler has planted them.

But Hungary remembered that what is now Carpatho-Ukraine was once part of Hungary. That is why Hungarian troops are now marching across the country. And Hungarians know how to conduct underground fighting just as well as the Germans.

War Of The Brigands

There is close friendship between Hungary and Germany just now. So the fight was waged out of sight illegally, both parties supporting and financing their brigands and agents on the quiet.

Hungary has had her agents in Carpatho-Ukraine for some time. Some years ago one of the most distinguished Czech journalists in Vienna. He was introduced to me as the Editor of a Ruthenian paper, "Ruska Pravda."

He came to Vienna frequently, and later I learned that he was the principal fighter for Ukrainian independence, highly esteemed by his fellow Ukrainians scattered in various countries.

He had done much to strengthen Ukrainian feeling in Czechoslovakia, Poland and in Russia. If the dream of an independent Ukrainian State had come true, he would have been its first Premier. His name was Alexandre Brody.

I met him again later, and one day walked with him through the streets of Vienna, accompanying him to the Bankgasse. Suddenly he said goodbye and went on alone. I saw him enter the building of the Hungarian Legation.

Not until recently, I must confess, did I realise that Brody's Hungarian relations had a deep importance. After the Munich agreement, when Ruthenia was declared an independent State within the new Czechoslovakia, the first Premier of this "Carpatho-Ukraine" was—Alexander Brody.

Brody went to Prague to confer with the Czech Premier, Syrový. He made surprising demands: plebiscite must be held in Carpatho-Ukraine, so that the population could decide its own fate. There was no doubt that such a plebiscite would result in a vote—not for Czechoslovakia, but for Hungary.

Syrový jumped to his feet angrily. Brody, he shouted, was an enemy to the new Czechoslovakia. "Get out (Continued on Page 11.)"

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"The first dress I try on you like and want me to buy—Well! You certainly don't know much about shopping, Wilbur!"

BRITAIN'S DEFENCE

Air Force Strength Deters Aggression

LONDON, Mar. 15. NATIONAL DEFENCE was the subject of an important speech by Lord Chatfield in the House of Lords to-day in his reply to the debate on this question.

He emphasised Mr. Chamberlain's recent declaration that our policy of defence did not mean that we did not intend to have both the will and the means to strike back if we were attacked.

There was a time when the problem of dealing with the bomber was regarded with something like despair; such a feeling was no longer justified, if ever it was.

Developments in recent years had undoubtedly reduced the old supremacy of the offensive over the defensive in air warfare, and he assured the House that none of the components of air defence was being neglected.

The strength of the fighting force was being extremely augmented, counter-offensive force had also been the subject of equally careful scrutiny, and measures to strengthen it were also actively in hand.

BEST IN WORLD

The latest types of bombers now being delivered to the airforce were believed to be the best in the world. "The Government is determined to build up counter-offensive forces of such a strength as they may, in conjunction with the fighter aircraft and batteries, deter an aggressor from attacking us at all, or if it should unhappily fail to do this, will give us all the necessary means for attack as well as defence."

JACK TARS OF AIR

Lord Chatfield added: "I am convinced that just as we have been able over many centuries to rely confidently on our sailors to seek out and destroy the fleet of the enemy, so we shall be able in the future, with our airmen supported on the land by our soldiers, to defend similarly these islands from the air fleets of an aggressor."—*Reuter*.

ANGLO-FRENCH CO-OPERATION

London, Mar. 15. Replying to questions, Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, declared in the House of Commons to-day that if Britain and France found themselves allied in any future war, it was contemplated that naval co-operation would be complete.

Conversations had already begun between the respective naval staffs, and were being continued.—*Reuter*.

Briton Killed In Air Raid

Chungking, Mar. 15. A British missionary is reported to have been killed yesterday when 18 Japanese planes staged a terrific air raid over the partially-ruined town of Pingliang, in northern Hunan. Forty other persons were also killed. The British missionary was the superintendent of a hospital founded by a British Mission.

Several direct hits were made on the premises by the Japanese airmen despite the conspicuous British insignia painted on the roof. A school nearby was also levelled to the ground.

Altogether 18 Japanese machines took part in the onslaught, raining more than 100 bombs in various sections of the town.

Sin in Shensi which was severely attacked by Japanese planes on Tuesday, was again raided yesterday. Twenty-two machines came over the city in the morning and dumped between 60 and 70 missiles. They also dropped a large number of posterous handbills.

So far 20 civilians are known to have been killed and wounded while more than 70 houses were demolished.

Earlier in the morning, Pingliang, in eastern Kansu, was attacked by 26 other planes which released some 60 bombs in the eastern outskirts.—*Central News*.

Burglars Climb Scaffolding

A daring burglary occurred in the office of the China Plant-Oil Lamp Company, in the S. C. M. Post building in the early hours of this morning.

Entry was obtained by breaking the glass window, the burglars climbing scaffolding which has been erected for the purpose of renovating the building.

A quantity of radio apparatus and machine tools was stolen. The culprits used two waste-paper baskets to carry away the loot. The value of the stolen property has not yet been ascertained.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others? hob-knob knight-erant holus-pokus muzzlog nick-nack English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 5.

SWASTIKA AS NATIONAL EMBLEM OF THE PEOPLE

BOHEMIA AND MORAVIA, THE TWO CZECH STATES WHICH HAVE BEEN SEIZED BY GERMAN TROOPS, WILL BE INCORPORATED IN ALL OFFICIAL GERMAN MAPS AS PART OF THE GREATER REICH.

The swastika will be the official flag of the new German province, which will be known as Czekia.

The Czech Army will be disbanded and German troops will continue in occupation of the entire area.

SKODA FACTORY FOR REICH

Included in the German gains are the vast Skoda armaments factories.

The area of the two new German provinces is 30,426 square miles, which is more than half of the pre-September acreage of the entire Czech-Slovak Republic (54,207 square miles).

Slovakia, which will retain an unarmed independence as a semi-German state, has an area of 18,895 square miles and a population of 3,254,000. It is all that will remain on the maps of Europe to show where once stood the proud Central European Republic.

HITLER'S TRIUMPHANT ENTRY

PRAGUE, Mar. 15.

HERR ADOLF HITLER made a triumphal entry into Prague at 7.45 p.m. this evening, in a snowstorm.

It is expected that a triumphal parade will be held to-morrow.

The Fuehrer took up official residence at the old castle of Prague, when his flag was hoisted over the castle tower by the castle guard, composed of a German Fascist regiment.

It is reported that Herr Hitler has commissioned General von Brauschitch to exercise executive power in Bohemia and Moravia.

An earlier Berlin message says that Herr Hitler arrived at Boemischlepa on Bohemian territory this afternoon en route to Prague, accompanied by Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, General Keitel, General von Steppanagel, the Quartermaster-General of the Army, Herr Himmler, and many other high army officers and party officers.

Herr Konrad Henlein, former Sudeten leader has been appointed civil administrator at the German army headquarters in Prague, while Herr Buerkel has been selected as head of the civil administration of Moravia at the German army headquarters in Prague.

Reports from Bratislava state that Ruthenian storm-troopers disarmed a large section of the Czech military.

GERMANS IN SLOVAKIA

Reports that German troops have marched into Slovakia are now confirmed. Troops advancing into Moravia and Bohemia encountered snow blizzards which reduced visibility to ten yards, and greatly hampered the motorised units.—*Reuter* and *United Press* messages.

CABINET RESIGNS

Prague, Mar. 15. The Czech Cabinet has resigned, and General Gajda, the Fascist leader, has been made "Fuehrer of the Czech people".—*Reuter*.

WALL STREET NERVOUS

New York, Mar. 15. Nervousness over the Czech-Slovakian situation dominated dealings on the New York stock and share exchange to-day.

The break was the widest since January 26 when Czech bonds crashed both on the New York and London markets.

Wall Street's principal worry was concerned with the European political situation and also considerable disappointment was felt regarding domestic developments, especially over the Federal Reserve action which dissipated hopes of a margin reduction.—*United Press*.

ESTABLISHING RELATIONS

Prague, Mar. 15. A Czech committee for the establishment of friendly relations between the Czech nation and the German army was formed here to-day.

It consists of political and non-political groups. The political group is composed of adherents to the so-called "Vilka" movement, in which are incorporated anti-democratic and anti-semitic aspirations of Czech youth, and which also comprise Czech Fascists.

The non-political group is divided into agricultural and industrial sections. Its members include the former Minister, M. Necas, several Deputies of the Czech Agrarian Party, and Colonel Vlas as liaison officer of the Czech General Staff. The Secretary of the committee is Dr. Sokol, who was formerly Secretary of the Central Union of Czech Municipalities.—*Trans-Ocean*.

"TRUSTINGLY"

Berlin, Mar. 15. A communique issued at 7 o'clock to-day after the meeting with Herr Hitler stated that President Hacha had declared that in order to reach a final agreement, he placed the fate of the Czech people trustingly in the hands of Herr Hitler.

The Fuehrer accepted this declaration and gave expression to his decision that he placed the Czech people under the protection of the Reich, and would guarantee it an autonomous development in its

national life corresponding with its peculiarities.—*Reuter*.

GERMAN PROCLAMATION

Berlin, Mar. 15. A final decision regarding the future constitutional position of Bohemia and Moravia within the Reich has not yet been taken, it is claimed in well-informed quarters. The same position applies to the future rights and duties of the Czech population.

For the time being, commanders of the respective army corps have executive power in Bohemia and Moravia, with a civil administration being organised to assist them.

According to a message from Prague, the Commander-in-Chief of the Third Army Group, General Blaskowitz issued a proclamation to the population to-day in the following terms:

"STRICT OBEDIENCE"

"Executive power in Bohemia having been entrusted to me, I have made the following enactments: The Reich Commissary and regional leader, Herr Konrad Henlein is appointed head of the civil administration within the area of the Third Army Group. On my behalf he undertakes the task of supervision of the entire public administration, including that in Prague.

"The work of public administration continues as usual unless it is decided otherwise. This applies also to the departments of police, post offices and to public services of all kinds. Economic activity continues without interruption. Everyone must remain at his post.

"Orders of the German military authorities and of the head of the civil administration acting on my behalf must be strictly obeyed in the interest alike of the community as a whole and of individuals.—*Trans-Ocean*.

ANTI-GERMAN DEMONSTRATIONS

Belgrade, Mar. 15. Continuous anti-German demonstrations took place in the Terazija, which is the main street in Belgrade.

Crowds, singing national songs, marched towards the palace with cries of "Long live the King, the Army, and Czechoslovakia."—*Reuter*.

AN ANCIENT ANIMAL

Remains of Desmotylus Found in Japan

Tokyo, Mar. 15. Desmotylus, monster animal believed to have lived in Japan approximately 20,000,000 years ago, belongs to the Ungulate family, according to Professor Masaji Ijiri of the Tokyo High School.

Desmotylus is believed to have inhabited along the coasts of the Northern Pacific including Japan and the United States, its size being about the same as that of Rhinoceros or Hippopotamus.

A number of skeletons, believed to be the remains of the ancient animal, have been discovered in Japan in the provinces of Fuzuo, Mino and Sado, the Hokkaido and Saghalien and in America in the State of Oregon.

Interviewed by newspapermen, Professor Ijiri said that Japan was most abundant in Desmotylus skeletons. It was interesting to note, Professor Ijiri added, that the skull of this animal contained the same element as the tooth of human beings.—*Domei*.

Air Services To Orient Night Flying To Aid Speed-Up

LONDON, Mar. 15.

QUESTIONED IN THE House of Commons by Mr. H. Day regarding the differences in the timings of Imperial Airways and K.L.M., between London and Singapore, Captain H. H. Balfour, Under-Secretary of State for Air, stated that it was intended to speed-up the Empire services time-table progressively by the extension of night flying, and the provision of aircraft.

Production orders had already been placed. Asked if any new machines had been constructed, Captain Balfour replied there were 14 new civil types of aircraft being constructed by Fairys, and probably, when completed in 1941 or 1942, would be used on this and other routes.—*Reuter*.

Egypt

Wedding Contract Is Signed

King Farouk and the Crown Prince of Iran to-day signed the contract for the marriage between the latter and Princess Fawziyah. According to Moslem custom, the bride was not present. Celebrations are taking place, lasting three days, and another ceremony will be held when the Crown Prince and his bride return to Teheran.—*Reuter's Bulletin*.

Royal Salute Fired

Cairo, Mar. 15. A Royal salute announced to the waiting citizens that the wedding contract had been signed at Abdine Palace.

King Farouk and the Crown Prince of Iran signed the contract in the presence of a hundred princes and high dignitaries, including the Prime Minister.—*Reuter Special*.

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York Cotton			
	New York	Mar. 15	
	Opening	Closing	
March	8.75/74	8.74/74	
May	8.35/35	8.33/34	
July	8.14/14	8.13/13	
Oct.	7.75/74	7.76/76	
Dec.	7.09/09	7.09/70	
Spot	7.07/07	7.07/07	
The last Notice day for March Cotton is March 17th.			

New York Rubber			
	Mar. 15	Mar. 15	
March	10.44/00	10.24 N	
May	10.31/31	10.31/32	
Sept.	10.43/43	10.28/32	
Dec.	10.40/40	10.20/20	
To-day's Sales—1,920 tons.			
The last Notice day for March Rubber is March 20th.			

Chicago Wheat			
	Mar. 15	Mar. 15	
May	07 1/2/07 1/2	07 1/2/07 1/2	
July	07 1/2/07 1/2	07 1/2/07 1/2	
Sept.	07 1/2/07 1/2	07 1/2/07 1/2	
Tuesday's Sales—6,070,000 bushels.			

Chicago Corn			
	Mar. 15	Mar. 15	
May	47 1/2/48	47 1/2/47 1/2	
July	40 1/2/40 1/2	40 1/2/40 1/2	
Sept.	50 1/2/50 1/2	50 1/2/50 1/2	

Winnipeg Wheat			
	Mar. 15	Mar. 15	
May	50 1/2/50 1/2	50 1/2/50 1/2	
July	50 1/2/50 1/2	50 1/2/50 1/2	
Oct.	50 1/2/50 1/2	50 1/2/50 1/2	

GERMANY ASKED TO EXPLAIN

Stresses 'Willingness' Of The Czechs

PARIS, Mar. 15.

A COMMUNICATION from the German Government regarding developments in Central Europe was received at the Quai d'Orsay early this afternoon.

It is believed that the communication particularly stressed the fact that entry of German troops into Bohemia and Moravia took place with the assent of the Prague Government. The German Ambassador, Count Welczek is expected to visit the Foreign Office this afternoon.—*Trans-Ocean*.

PARIS IMPRESSED

PARIS, Mar. 15. A request for information as to the exact meaning of Herr Hitler's proclamation with regard to the Czech State was made by the French Ambassador to Berlin this morning. Ambassador Bonnet had telephone talks this morning with the Polish Ambassador and the French Ambassador in London.

This evening, M. Bonnet is receiving the German Ambassador, who will confirm the communication made this morning by which the German Government declared that its action in Czechoslovakia was taken in agreement with the Government in Prague.

The speed and gravity of the changes in Czechoslovakia has made a deep impression here, but what has most impressed the French is the passage in Hitler's proclamation declaring that Czechoslovakia is vital to Germany and that it belonged to Germany over 1,000 years.

This proclamation is regarded as abandonment of the principles of racism enunciated in "Mein Kampf", and also Hitler's statement after Munich when he declared that National Socialism did not envisage incorporation in the Reich of non-Germans.—*Reuter*.

BERLIN COMMENT

Berlin, Mar. 15. The first official German comment on the events in Central Europe appears in the "Diplomatische Korrespondenz" to-day, which states that "history confers on the Czech people no claim whatever to independence."

"Czech political leadership itself has now reached the conclusion that the experiment of sole Czech responsibility for Bohemia and Moravia has been a failure."

ROME COMMENT

While official circles in Rome are chary of commenting on the Czechoslovakian situation, this morning's newspapers give the trend of public opinion.

The "Telegrafo" declares that "only after the Munich conference had been hastily summoned was military occupation of the whole of Czechoslovakia avoided last September. Munich might have had a great influence on the European situation, but its spirit died."—*Reuter*.

JAPANESE COMMENT

Tokyo, Mar. 15. The Japanese press interprets Germany's move as another step in her drive East.

The newspaper "Asahi Shimbun" declares that "Stalin seriously miscalculated when, in his speech to the Communist Congress, he declared that Germany had changed her Eastern drive to a Western one. The menace will be most keenly felt by Poland and Rumania."—*Reuter*.

BRITISH DEMARCHE TO BERLIN

London, Mar. 15. Britain has made a demarche to Berlin concerning the entry of German troops into Czechoslovakia. It is regarded as possible that a similar step will be taken by France.

It is learned that during the recent events there have been close contacts between the British Minister to Prague and Czech officials. The Czechs, however, have made no request for advice to the British Government.

There is now a strong possibility that the projected trade visit of Mr. Oliver Stanley and Mr. R. S. Hudson, Board of Trade officials, will be cancelled.—*Reuter*.

Statement To-morrow

London, Mar. 15. Mr. Neville Chamberlain is expected to make a statement in the House of Commons to-day regarding Britain's position in connection with the events in Central Europe.

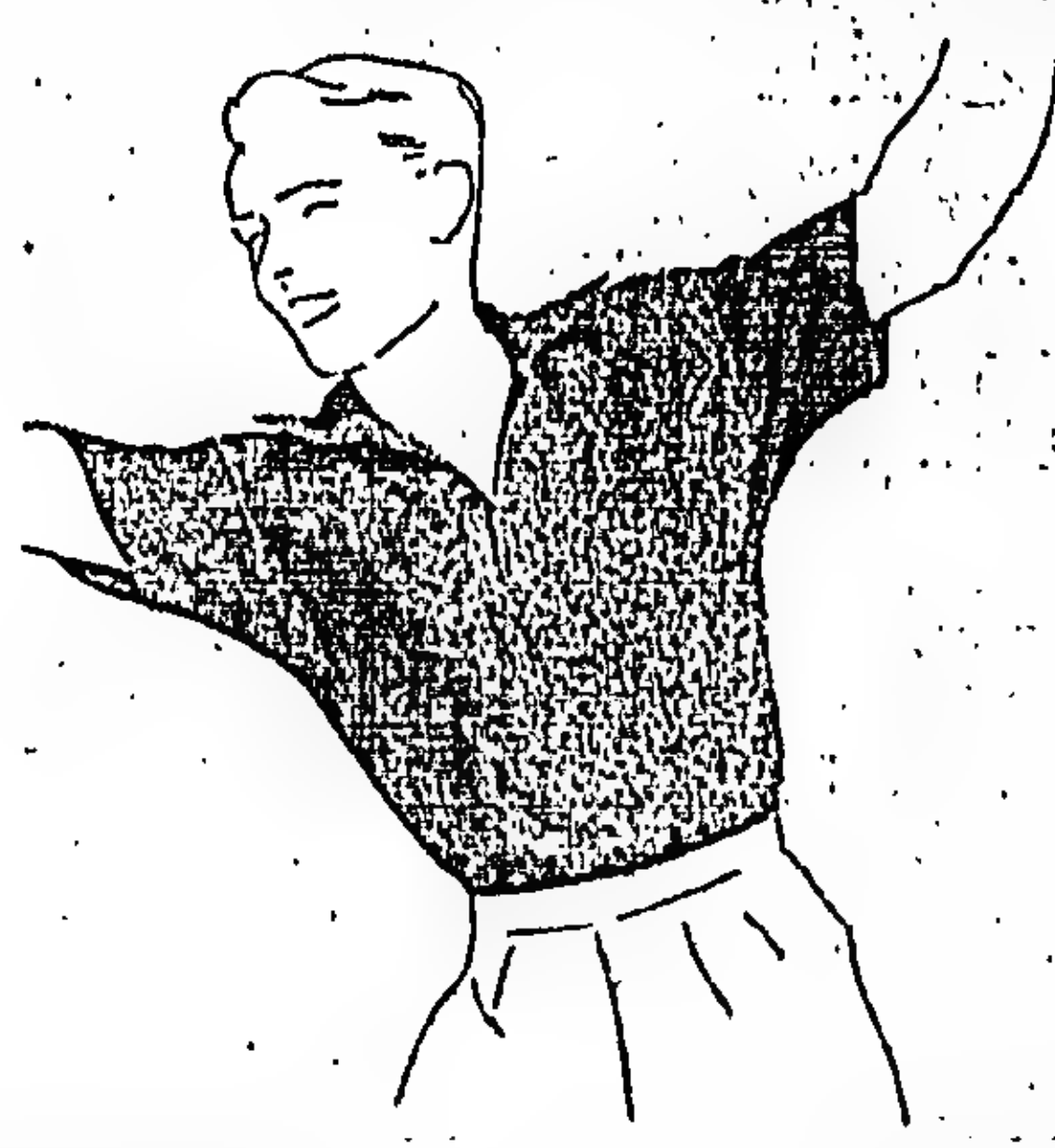
The introduction of the Navy estimates which was scheduled to be discussed in the Commons to-day has been postponed until to-morrow.

The Cabinet met this morning and it is understood that the European situation. The British Ambassador in Berlin has been instructed to approach the German Government regarding the events in Czechoslovakia.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

NOTES SIGNED

Rome, Mar. 15. The British Ambassador, Lord Perth, and Count Ciano have signed the exchange notes in connection with the review of the existing commercial agreement.

It is believed that the notes will bring up to date the existing treaty by reviewing the list of British products which Italy can use and Italian products useful to Britain.—*Reuter*.



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DB101 Old Folks at Home Labette & Elsdell.

Home Sweet Home.

DB174 Drinking ... Malcolm McEneaney.

I am a Frier of Orders Grey.

DB771 Down the Vale ... Labette & Elsdell.

Absent.

DB803 I know of two bright Eyes Heddie Nash.

Eily Mavourneen.

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STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued 12.30 p.m. yesterday, says:

The market continued steady, prices being well maintained and buyers predominating for most of the popular counters.

Buyers

Hongkong Bank \$1,400	Bank of East Asia \$20
Canton Insurance \$22	H.K. Fire Insurance \$100
Douglases 60 1/2	H.K. Dock (New) \$10 1/2
H.K. & S. Hotels \$4	H.K. Tramways \$15.00
Yammat Terres (Old) \$2 1/2	Yammat Terres (New) \$2 1/2
H.K. Electric \$50 1/2	Canadian Lignite \$11.10
H.K. Hopes \$4.10	Watsons \$20.00
Vine On (H.K.) \$48	Entertainments \$7.10
Vibro Piling \$7.10	H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan 7 1/2
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Union Insurance \$400	Docks (Old) \$10 1/2
H. & S. Hotels \$4	H.K. Tramways \$15.00
Dairy Farms \$20 1/2	Vibro Piling \$7.10
Antelope \$4.40	Baguio Gold 20
Deutscher Consolidated 13.50	Coca Grove 40 1/2
Demonstrations 12 1/2	Paracale Gumau 10
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POOR DAY FOR C.R.C. PLAYERS AT TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Three Eliminated In Four Ties Yesterday

(By "Abe")

Yesterday was a bad day for Chinese R.C. players in the Colony Tennis Championships: in three out of the four singles matches decided C.R.C. men participated and in all three they were eliminated from the tournament.

Paul Kong met his Waterloo at the hands of E. C. Fincher, who played extremely well to win out in straight sets. The scores 6-2, 6-4 in his favour, against a player of Kong's calibre, are sufficient proof of the high quality of Fincher's tennis yesterday. Not only was his backhand in good working order, but he was able to keep mistakes on the forehand down to a minimum.

The court, of course, suited Fincher's chops, but slowed down Kong's shots, generally made with a flat racket. But this advantage apart, it was Fincher who looked the better one of the two to win; he made fewer mistakes and his passing shots were generally winners.

After winning the first set comfortably, Fincher broke through Kong's service after 3-3 had been called, but promptly dropped his own to level the scores at 4-4. However, he broke through his opponent's service, but this time he held his own to win out at 6-4.

If further proof was necessary to show that he will be a very difficult man to beat, Lim Thiam-tet provided it yesterday when he polished off

Results Of Matches Played Yesterday

The following were the results of matches played yesterday:

OPEN SINGLES

George Choa beat H. G. Gan 6-1, 6-0.
A. Crawford beat Pang O-lam 6-4, 6-2.
Lim Thiam-tet beat Lee Yue-wing 6-3, 6-3.
E. C. Fincher beat Paul Kong 6-2, 6-4.

Lee Yue-wing, an extremely steady player, with the loss of six games, The former Perak champion revealed a stronger all-round game and won 6-3, 6-3.

The match between A. Crawford and Pang O-lam produced play of a fairly high standard, but the Kowloon C.C. man proved a trifle staid of the two and won in straight sets. He was also a stronger all-round player.

George Choa had some useful practice against H. G. Gan, whom he beat easily.

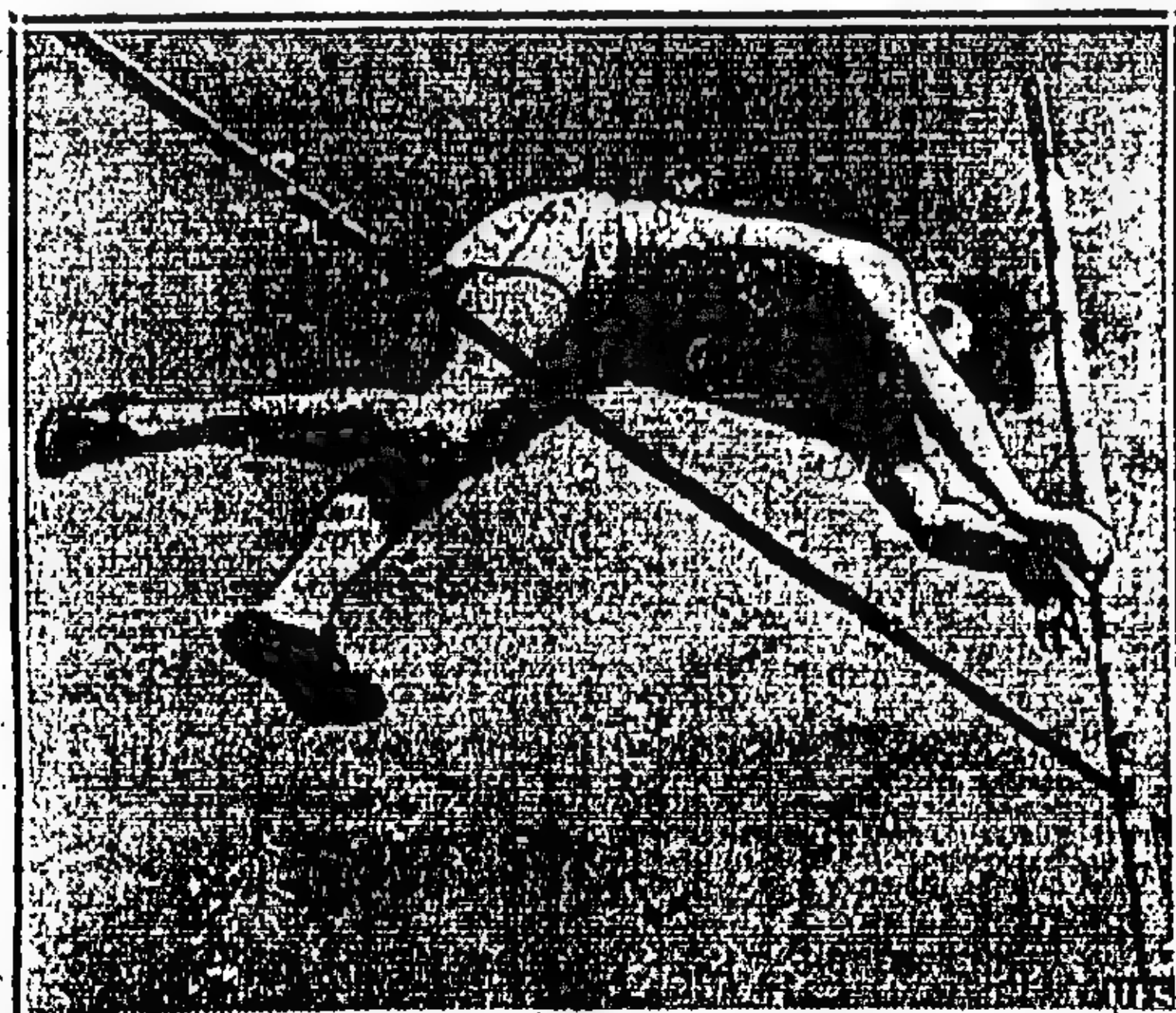
TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

Singles—O. Rumjahn v. I. M. A. Razack; Tsui Wai-pui v. Chan Chi-keung; Tsui Ping fan v. Chan Kam-moon; Tsui Yun-pui v. Wan Tso-sun; B. Szeto v. J. W. Leonard.

Eastern, Kwong Wah In Goalless Draw

Eastern and Kwong Wah met on the Club ground yesterday in the First Division of the Hongkong Football League, the result being a goalless draw.

The game was keen, but both defences were on top of the attacks.



Among many top-fliers in sports who were seen recently at the Millrose A.C. meet at Madison Square Garden was Cornelius Warner, above, U.S. national pole vault champion. Warner's record is 14 feet 7 1/2 ins. He's from the California Olympic Club. This action picture shows him going over the bar.

Draw In Test Confirmed

Durban, Mar. 15.
The Final Test was abandoned as a draw on the tenth day. Rain stopped play throughout to-day when England needed only 42 runs, with five wickets in hand.

The match could not be continued as the M.C.C. team have to catch their ship home. The final scores were: South Africa 530 and 481; M.C.C. 316 and 654 for 5.—*Reuter's Bulletin.*

Ireland Defeated By Wales INTERNATIONAL SOCCER MATCH

London, Mar. 15.
At Wrexham to-day, before 20,000 spectators, Wales defeated Ireland by three goals to one in the international soccer match.

In the Welsh team, Poland of Wrexham was in goal, and Boulton of Brentford replaced Leslie Jones of the Arsenal at inside right. Ireland made one change from the team previously announced. Leathna, of Belfast Celtic, coming into the side in place of McMillen, of Chesterfield, at centre-half.

The teams, therefore, lined up as follows:
Wales.—Poland (Wrexham); Turner (Charlton); Hughes (Birmingham); Green (Charlton); T. Jones (Everton); Dearson (Birmingham); Hopkins (Brentford); Boulton (Brentford); Glover (Grimsby); Bryn Jones (Arsenal) and Cumner (Arenas).

Ireland.—Breen (Manchester U.); Cook (Everton); Butler (Blackpool); Broily (Millwall); Leathna (Belfast Celtic); Weir (Clyde); Cochrane (Leam U.); Stevenson (Everton); Milligan (Chesterfield); Doherty (Manchester C.) and Brown (Birmingham).

Wales were confident at the start and Cumner gathered a pass from Bryn Jones to score in the seventh minute.

Milligan, however, equalised, following a mix-up in the Welsh goal-mouth, but Glover restored the lead for Wales from a disputed corner kick by Cumner five minutes later.

STANDARD NOT HIGH
Play was not of a high standard. Ireland attacked heavily, but the Welsh defence, and half-time arrived with the Welshmen leading by 2-1.

After the interval, the Welsh defence was hard-pressed by the forceful Irish forwards, who instituted many sweeping movements, which were spoiled by poor finishing.

Wales eventually scored against the run of play, Boulton netting the third goal.

After this, Wales improved though Ireland finished the stronger team of the two.

The Welshmen were flattered by their margin of victory, Poland, who made his debut as goal-keeper in an international for Wales, was impressive, saving his side repeatedly.

Missed "sitters" caused the Irish defeat.—*Reuter.*

Results Of Matches Played In League

London, Mar. 15.
The following were the results of matches played in the Home Football League to-day:

FIRST DIVISION
Chelsea 1 Blackpool 1
Sunderland 0 Portsmouth 2
Huddersfield 1 Liverpool 1

THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)
Bournemouth 1 Port Vale 1

THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)
Bradford City 2 Doncaster 1
Sheff. Wed. 1 Scun. 1

SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)
Clyde 2 Queen's Park 3

Rugby Matches At Home
London, Mar. 15.
Rugby results to-day were as follows:

RUGBY LEAGUE
27 Broughton Rangers 0
RUGBY LEAGUE CUP (3RD ROUND REPLAY)
15 Wakefield Trinity 12
RUGBY UNION
9 United Banks 9
(at New Beckenham)
Civil Service 0 R.A.F. 29
(at Chiswick)

—*Reuter.*

OUR WEEKLY HOCKEY FEATURE

DIFFERENT METHODS EMPLOYED BY FORWARDS NOWADAYS



Mrs. Dalziel, who will probably be turning out at inside left for the Colony Interport team.

New Method Tried For Corner Hits

In the matches played in the Western Counties Women's tournament at Weston-Super-Mare, a new method of taking corners, to give the attacking team a greater advantage, was tried out as an experiment at the request of the All England Women's Association, to judge whether it should be included in the rules of the game for another season.

The system adopted was this: On being awarded a corner, the attacking forwards lined the circle as formerly, and the defence remained behind the "25 line" where the forwards of the defending side were waiting until the corner hit had been taken before moving. This scheme provided that only six players, instead of eleven, should be in front of them. In spite of this interesting experiment, goals proved to be just as scarce as under the existing corner rule.

As women are always keen and eager to make any substantial improvement in the technique of their game, it has been suggested however, to play out as an experiment, so far as short corners are concerned, of placing the ball within five yards of the goalpost instead of the customary 10, with all defenders standing on the further side of the goal-line, with just the goalkeeper in charge. Until such an experiment is carried out by practical demonstration, it is impossible to suggest whether such a reform of the short corner rule would make for any greater improvement. Beyond this one point in the game, it remains as perfect as it is humanly

'The Pilgrim' on—

THROUGH PASS NOW FAVOURED

DIFFERENT METHODS EMPLOYED BY FORWARDS NOWADAYS

INDIVIDUAL PLAY SEEN TO GREATER EXTENT

The short-passing game, which was developed to such a fine art by some of the finest centre-forwards in hockey, has in present-day play been superseded to a great extent by the through pass. This is nothing more or less than the oldest style of hockey—called in those days "hit and run"—brought down to a scientific basis, and it is for this reason that nowadays we see little of the short square-passing game from stick to stick that used to be such a delight to watch.

The tendency of this new style of play has been to make players more individual than formerly, and the present-day centre-forward is generally seen doing rather more than the average amount of dribbling in an endeavour to draw the defences so as to make a through pass with success.

The centre-forward of to-day must not allow himself to become a slave to this new form of attack, but should use his own discretion as to when to employ it, and he should certainly vary his methods as much as possible.

A clever defence, alive to these methods, can position itself to frustrate attacks far more easily than it could to check a fast and clever line of forwards playing the short-passing game.

On wet and heavy grounds, where the defence find it difficult to turn quickly, a centre-forward can adopt the through-pass tactics with far

greater chances of success than on a hard and fast ground, and so here again generalship and brain-work must play an important part.

PLAY THE GAME

Sufficient attention is seldom paid either by the captain or by the team as a whole to the way in which the best can be brought out of the side. Too often a team is merely a collection of eleven individuals, but for an afternoon's exercise and enjoyment, who do not consider as much as they might the best way to get the utmost out of themselves, not only with a view to winning but also to give as good a display as possible.

Victory is certainly not the sole aim and object of any game. What is necessary is that the side should play well and hard, and also take any bid luck that comes their way with equanimity. If they should win, so much the better.



Miss Westcott is no stranger to the outside left position in Interports, having played before on this wing against Shanghai.

"PILGRIM" THINKS H. K. INTERPORT TEAM WILL DO WELL IN SHANGHAI

The ladies' Interport team has practically been selected. Eight defenders and seven forwards have been nominated by the Ladies' Hockey Association to make the trip to Shanghai.

The players chosen are:
Goal-keeper—Mrs. Lunson (H.K. Ladies).

Backs—Miss G. White (St. Andrew's), Miss A. Fowler (Y. Ladies) and Mrs. Wilmot (Seaford).

Half-backs—Mrs. Stone (Y. Ladies), Miss I. Woolley (C.B.A.), Miss Reid (St. Andrew's) and Miss Greaves (D.G.S.).

Forwards—Mrs. Burnett (Y. Ladies), Miss Barker (Y. Ladies), Mrs. Read (Y. Ladies), Mrs. Dalziel (H.K. Ladies), Miss Westcott (Y. Ladies), Miss M. Booker (C.B.A.) and Miss J. Greig (H.K. Ladies).

After last Sunday's trial, many followers of the game were probably surprised at several selections. The absence of Miss C. Silva in the attack is due to the fact that she is unable to make the trip north.

possible to make it.

It is left to be seen whether the women will experiment on this suggestion.

RANDOM JOTTINGS BY "THE PILGRIM"

ENTRIES for the Hongkong H.A. six-a-side tournament, which commences on April 2, will close next Saturday. Clubs affiliated to Association are allowed to enter one or more teams, and their entries are to be forwarded to Mr. R. Henderson, Secretary of the Hongkong H.A., c/o Harbour View Hotel, Kowloon. The games will be of seven minutes' duration and will be played on the Navy, Recreio, C.B.A. and U.S.R.C. grounds at King's Hill. The semi-finals and final will take place on the Club ground.

The following gentlemen were elected to the Six-a-Side Tournament Committee:—Lieut. Gunner (Navy), Lieut. Hook (Army), Mr. A. E. P. Guest (Civilian) and the Hon. Secretary, Mr. R. Henderson. Further details will be published as soon as the Committee has had its first meeting.

Mr. D. Smith, Tournament Secretary of the H.K.H.A., will be leaving for Shanghai on March 29 on a three weeks' vacation. He hopes to be present at the Ladies' Interport hockey match which is to be played in Shanghai during the second week of April.

MISS J. Weller, former "Y" Ladies' goal-keeper, has made a welcome return to the game after an absence of two seasons. She now plays at full back for the Hongkong Ladies' Brown Cup team, and gave a good display against the Recreio ladies last Saturday.

TWO well-known players are due to arrive back in the Colony

shortly. They are Mrs. Sybil Gardner, the "Y" Ladies' inside right and sister of Mrs. O. Burnett, and Miss Peggy Lawson, St. Andrew's brilliant half-back.

CONGRATULATIONS to the following ladies for winning their first Interport colours:

Miss G. White (St. Andrew's), Mrs. Wilmot (Seaford), Mrs. J. Stone (Y. Ladies), Miss H. Reid (St. Andrew's), Miss B. Greaves (D.G.S.), Miss B. Barker (Y. Ladies), Mrs. M. Read (Y. Ladies), Miss M. Booker (C.B.A. Ladies) and Miss J. Greig (H.K. Ladies).

THOUGH Queen's College were unable to field a team in the H.K.H.A. Tournament this season due to the weakness of their side, I am glad to hear they are participating in the six-a-side Tournament. What the schoolboys should do in the future is to form a combined schools team and be affiliated to the Association. This will probably enable them to enter a team in the H.K.H.A. Tournament next season. This may also pave the way for a Junior Interport game with Macao. What about it, schools?

LEADING goal-scorers in the running for sticks to be presented by International Sports are:

CAER CLARK CUP
Miss M. Smith (Y. Ladies) ... 10
Miss P. Gittins (St. Andrew's) ... 7
BROWN CUP
Mrs. A. Barker (Seaford) ... 10
Miss J. Greig (H.K. Ladies) ... 12
H.K.H.A. TOURNAMENT
G. Singh (Radio) ... 12
Bartlett (R.A.F.) ... 10

League Table To Date

The following is the H.K.H.A. Tournament Table to date:

	Pts.	W.	D.	L.	F.A.
Radio & P.S.C.	9	5	0	0	17
Recreio	9	5	0	0	17
C.B.A.	9	5	0	0	17
R.A.F.	9	5	0	0	17
Police "A"	9	5	0	0	17
Tomads	7	3	0	0	15
R.A.G.C.	7	3	0	0	15
K.I.T.C.	5	1	2	1	13
Family	5	0	0	0	9
Police "B"	0	0	0	0	0

keeper and Miss Fowler is a back who does not stand on any ceremony when she jumps into a tackle and hits the ball uncommonly hard. Miss White is as steady as ever and usually comes through an ordeal with distinct credit.

The three halves, Mrs. Stone, Miss I. Woolley and Miss H. Reid, are a constructive trio and are capable of rising to great heights when the occasion demands.

The above players took part in the first quarter of the trials last Sunday and to me they proved to be the best combination.

According to the names submitted, the Interport team and reserves would probably be as follows:

Mrs. Lunson
Miss G. White
Miss A. Fowler
Mrs. Stone
Miss I. Woolley
Miss H. Reid
Mrs. Burnett
Mrs. Barker
Mrs. Read
Mrs. Dalziel
Miss Westcott
Reserves—Mrs. Wilmot, Miss B. Greaves, Miss M. Booker and Miss J. Greig.

A practice for the Interports will be held on the Navy ground, King's Park, on Sunday at 10.30 a.m. when they meet the Rest.

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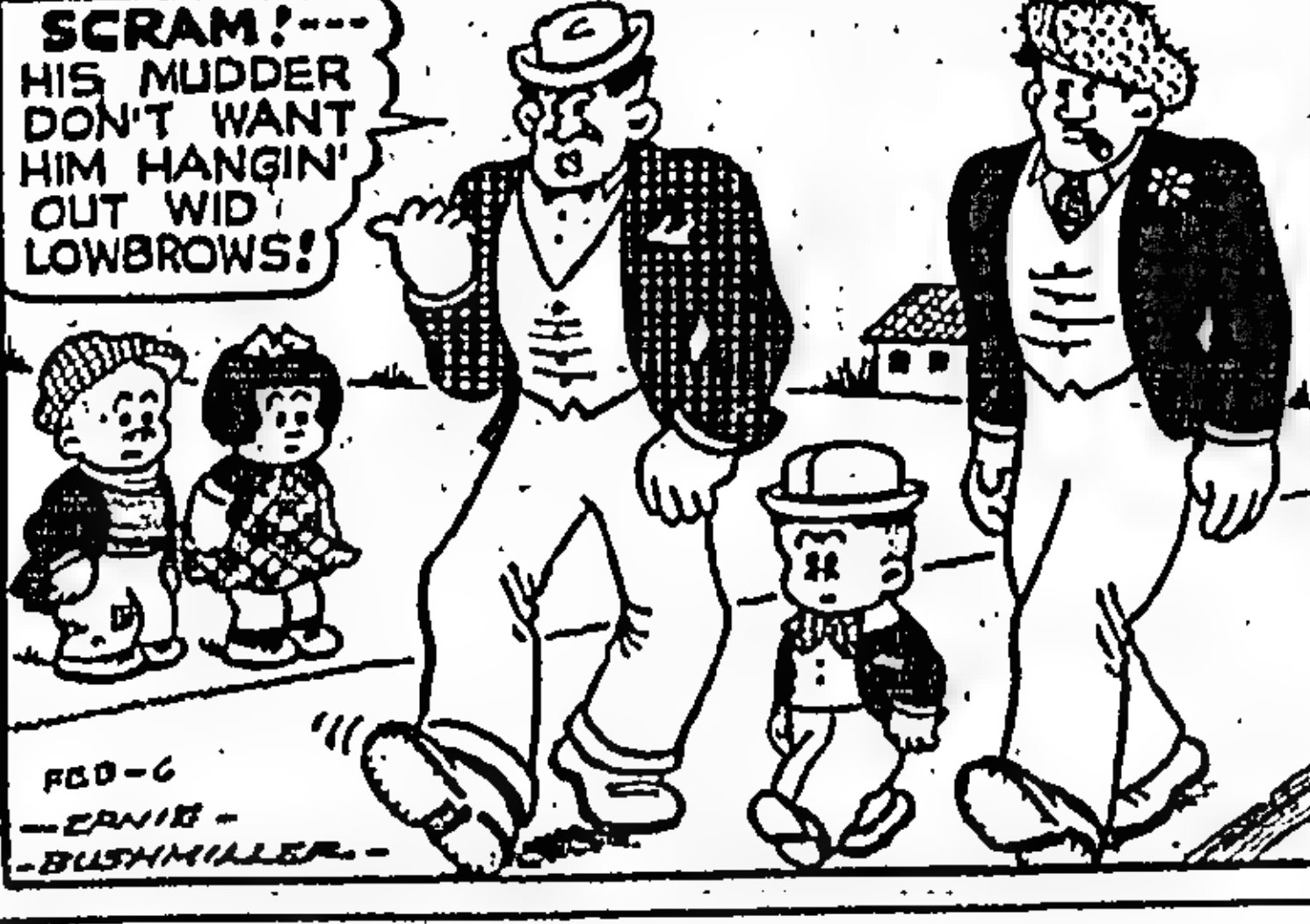
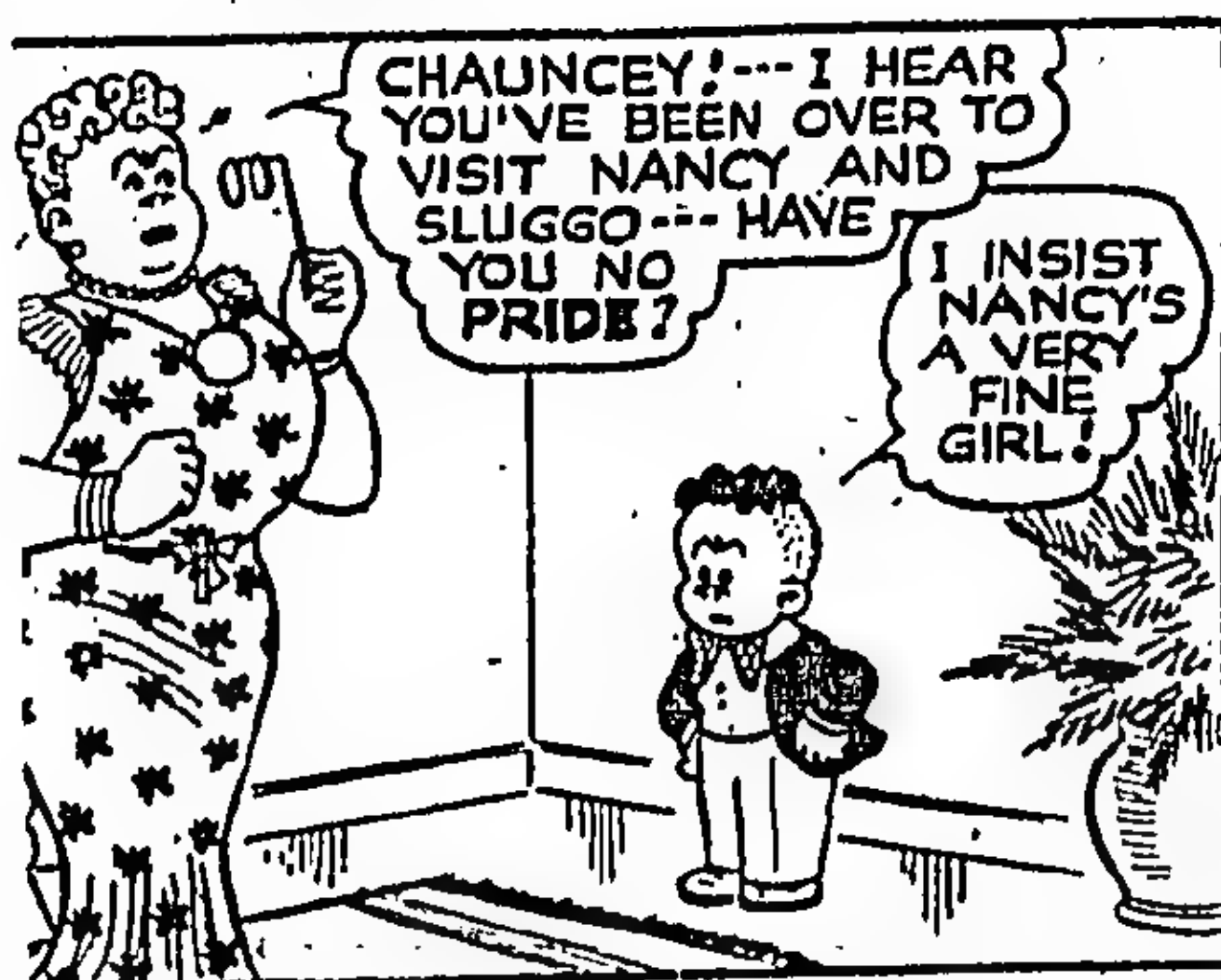
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By A. G. Shrive

Everton 2 Birmingham 1

London, Feb. 16. Another Cup-tie tragedy occurred in this fifth-round replay at Goodison Park, and the victims were Birmingham.

With only three minutes left for play they were beaten by a penalty goal conceded by Dearson, who in the excitement of the moment handled the ball which had been headed towards goal by Boyes from Gillick's centre.

The tragedy of it was that two of his colleagues could have cleared the ball in a legitimate manner. The goalkeeper moved across and had the ball covered and Hallsall, who was standing in front of him, was rising to head it away when Dearson jumped up and used his hand to stop it. Cook took the "spot" kick and drove the ball low into the net to the left of the goalkeeper. This was Cook's fifth consecutive penalty goal.

EVERTON LUCKY

A few minutes before this Dearson had nearly won the match for his side. He took the ball through at top speed, was checked and lost it, but when Thomson passed it back to a colleague Dearson followed up and fired in the best shot of the match, which was brilliantly saved by Sagar.

Immediately the match was over Clark, the Birmingham goalkeeper, ran across the field and pointed his finger at the back—a very nice gesture from one who must have been suffering from a keen sense of disappointment. Everton can reckon themselves lucky indeed to win this game and so gain the chance of visiting Wolverhampton in the next round. They did not play near such good football as Birmingham, who are at the bottom of the First Division table, while they are at the top. Birmingham were the quicker-moving side, worked the ball more skilfully and found the open spaces much better with their passes. They must have played far above their normal form, or else they are occupying a false position in the League. Every position in the team was capably filled and the team spirit admirable.

An outstanding player was Hallsall, the centre-half. He saw to it that Lawton had few chances and he was scrupulously fair in his tackling. Dearson also played a fine game, especially in attack.

BEST INSIDE FORWARD

I thought the half-back play of Birmingham was better all round than that of Everton. Jones was easily the best Everton half-back. He never got hurried and covered up in defence with real judgment. Both Birmingham backs positioned well, tackled quickly and kicked soundly, while Clark's goalkeeping was marked by good anticipation and sure fending of the ball. Harris proved a fast and virile leader and drew the defence by

BADMINTON RESULTS

Results of the badminton matches played last night were:
Senior singles—C. Au beat S. F. Hon, 15-10, 15-10.
Junior singles—D. Kwok beat A. Keown, 15-12, 15-12.
Mixed Doubles—C. Au and Miss A. C. Remedios beat A. L. Fisher and Mrs. S. W. Clark, 15-10, 15-10.
In a "B" Division match, Wanderers defeated Kowloon Tong "A" 7-0.
E. S. Ho and Y. Yung (Wanderers) beat A. F. H. Castro and Peter Lo 21-17, lost to B. P. F. Fletcher and J. Tsang 17-21.
J. S. Ho and S. L. Cheung (Wanderers) beat Castro and Lo 21-9, beat Fletcher and Tsang 21-13, beat Lee and Mackay 21-21.
S. W. Liang and T. J. Ong (Wanderers) beat Castro and Lo 21-15, beat Fletcher and Tsang 21-9, lost to Lee and Mackay 16-21.

VOLUNTEERS LOSE

Command Headquarters Win Golf Match

In a golf match played at Fanling yesterday, the China Command Headquarters defeated the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps, 8-6. His Excellency the Governor, Sir Geoffrey Northcote played for the latter team. Major-General A. E. Grossett and Col. Cowland (Command Headquarters) lost to Sir Geoffrey Northcote and Lieut.-Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, 5 down.

Col. Collin and Col. King (Command Headquarters) beat Col. H. B. Rose and Col. E. J. R. Mitchell, 4 up. Col. Simson and Major Johnston (Command Headquarters) lost to Major R. D. Walker and Lieut. Redmond, 1 down. Brig. Thomson and Col. Rogers (Command Headquarters) beat Capt. H. Owen-Hughes and Capt. Felby, 4 up.

WORLD HOCKEY

Japan To Participate In 1940 Tournament

Tokyo, Mar. 15. Japan will be represented at the World Hockey Championships scheduled for next year at Amsterdam, according to a decision reached at the executive meeting of the Japan Field Hockey Association in Tokyo. Thirty possible representatives will go into training from July of this year.

The Association's decision has been made in view of the fact that field hockey is not included in the programme of the Twelfth Olympiad to be held next year—Domei.

BRAWN CUP TEAM

The following will represent the C.B.A. Ladies in a Brawn Cup hockey match against the Seniors' Ladies at Shiu-shui-poo to-day at 5.30 p.m.: Mrs. Parnell; P. McFarlane and M. MacLean; A. Webb, C. Bone and B. Louis; E. Hunt, F. Grimmit, E. Woolley, M. Quick and I. Cunningham.

LOCAL YACHTING

Sweepstake Race Yesterday Won By Colleen

Colleen took first place in the sweepstake race held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday over a distance of 7 miles. Results: Colleen (Rev. E. D.A. Seaton) 16.53.30, 2nd (Major J. E. Dobbs) 16.43.45, 3rd (La Linda (Capt. R. B. Johnston)) 16.54.20, 4th (Redhawk (Capt. M. J. Johnston)) 16.55.03, 5th (Miss M. Whitman) 16.55.12, 6th (Painted Lady (Capt. M. J. Johnston)) 16.55.12, 7th (Robena (Capt. M. J. Johnston)) 16.55.12, 8th (Isabel (Mrs. T. M. Morris)) 16.55.12, 9th (Kittiwake (Mrs. P. M. King)) 16.55.12, 10th (Suzie (Mrs. S. Gilling)) 16.55.12, 11th (Nerida (Lt. J. C. Meyrick)) 16.55.12, 12th (Gull (Lt. J. C. Meyrick)) 16.55.12.

Y.M.C.A. LECTURE

At the European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, on night, at 9 p.m., Mr. M. F. Key, O.B.E., will give an address on a journey across the United States by motorbus, with an account of Yosemite, the Carlsbad Caverns and the Grand Canyon.

An original feature of the evening will be a pageant of American men's fashions illustrating cowboys' clothes and other gay styles, including the "Gipsy Doodle" shirts popular in Honolulu.

Professor R. Robertson, of the Hongkong University, will preside.

CARTOONISTS' UNION

A Hongkong branch of the Chinese Cartoonists' Association was formally organised at a meeting of more than 30 leading Chinese cartoonists on Tuesday.

Messrs. Yeh Chien-yu, Huang Ting, Chang Kwang-yu, Chen Yen-chiao, Li Fan-fu and Ting Ching-ching were elected members of the standing committee.

It was decided that an exhibition of modern Chinese cartoons will be held in Hongkong in the early part of April, and a cartoon periodical will be published—Central News.



Megan Taylor
Champion again



Daphne Walker
She was third

MEGAN TAYLOR RETAINS WORLD SKATING TITLE

Prague, Feb. 12.

Miss Megan Taylor retained her world's figure-skating championship here to-night, and except when she was on the ice sat watching other competitors beside the most disappointed girl in Prague—Miss Cecilia Colledge, whose strained tendon dashed her hopes of winning back the title she lost to Miss Taylor last year at Stockholm.

Miss Colledge was the first to congratulate Miss Taylor, who said she was happy to have kept the championship, but regretted the bad luck which prevented Miss Colledge from competing.

Miss Colledge actually began skating yesterday, but found the pain too great and had to withdraw. She cried from disappointment when she came off the ice, and was consoled by Miss Taylor.

FINAL PLACINGS

The result was:
1. Miss Megan Taylor (Britain), 373.22 points (placements 5).
2. Miss Hedy Stenuit (U.S.A.), 359.03 points (placements 14).
3. Miss Daphne Walker (Britain), 350.74 points (placements 15).
4. Miss L. Veitch (Germany), 353.33 points (placements 18).
5. Miss E. Nyklova (Czechoslovakia), 350.60 points (placements 17).
6. Miss E. Putzinger (Germany), 349.20 points (placements 20).
7. Miss M. Muselkova (Germany), 342.51 points (placements 37).
8. Miss Gladys Jagger (Britain), 344.49 points (placements 35).

Miss Taylor had such a long lead over all other competitors after yesterday's figure skating that she did not require to exert herself in exhibition skating to-night.

Generally favoured for second place was comet-like Miss Daphne Walker, and the crowd expressed loud and long disapproval of the umpires when they saw that she was marked low.

Eventually second place was given to Miss Hedy Stenuit, former Viennese girl, who is debarré by Jewish descent from skating for Germany, and now enters for America.

HITLER SALUTE

Miss Daphne Walker was thus placed third. An unlucky fall may just have cost her the second place.

Most striking incident to-night was when a German competitor, Fraulein Anita Vageler, before beginning elicited her skated heels together and gave the Hitler salute.

This is rather unkind in Prague, five months after Munich, but she had to do it, being under orders.

SPORT ADVTS

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 18th March, 1939, commencing at 2.00 p.m.
The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

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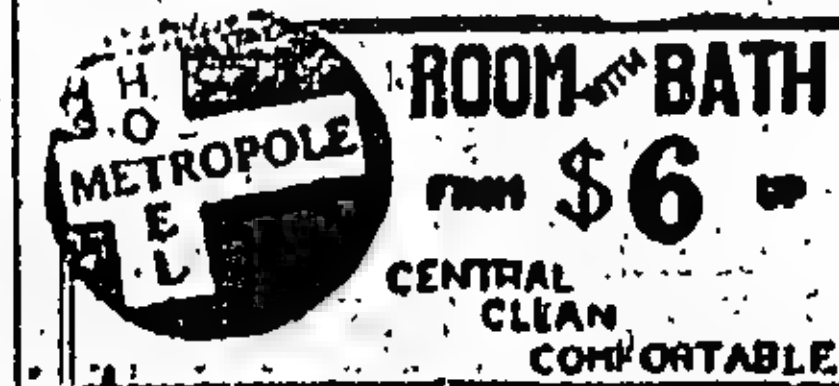
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The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27794), will close at 12 NOON.

Times are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21920).

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.
The price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$1.00 including Tax, for all Persons, including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform are admitted Half Price.

By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary
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Missing Plane Is Found

Kunming, Mar. 16. The missing Eurasia plane is reported to have been discovered at Lishihho, in the district of Weining in west Kweichow.

The four Chinese passengers aboard are Messrs. Yang Wen-ming, Wang Feng-chang, Tsao Shue-hsien, and Hsu Ching-tsh—Central News.

Chinese Team To Play England

The following will represent the Chinese in the "Sunday Herald" Charity Cup match against England at Caroline Hill on Sunday at 4 p.m.: Tam Kwan-kon (S. China "B"), Hou Yung-sang (Kwong Wah), Lee Tin-sang (S. China "A"), Ling-sing (Eastern), Loong Wing-chiu (S. China "A"), Hsu King-shing (Eastern), Tang Kwong-sum (S. China "A"), Fung King-cheung (S. China "A"), Lee Wai-tong (S. China "A"), Lai Shiu-wing (S. China "A") and Hsu Ching-to (Eastern).

Reserves: Yeung Shu-yick (S. China "B"), Wong King-ching (Kwong Wah), Cheuk Shek-kam (Kwong Wah), Lee Tok-kee (Eastern) and Lo Wai-kuen.

retires from public service in October—British Wireless

New Whitehall Official

London, Mar. 16. The Secretary for War has appointed Sir James Grigg, who will shortly complete his term of office as Finance member of the Government of India to be a permanent Under-Secretary at the War Office, succeeding Sir Herbert Glyn, who



Katherine Hepburn and Cary Grant tell the world to go and jump into a lake in their latest co-starring effort, Columbia's "Holiday," a brave gay story of two young people in love with life and each other. The picture opens at the King's Theatre on Saturday.

AVERAGE BABY

By
NURSERY
EXPERT

What Do You
WEIGH?



Weekly weighings must be carried out exactly. It they are to be a guide to baby's progress.

THE Clinic's Weighing Day, and what a busy scene it calls to mind! First, the large waiting-room, where mothers and babies await the arrival of the Health Visitor and her helpers; then the weighing-room itself into which the mothers are admitted.

Here the temperature is raised by means of radiators, for the little ones are undressed to their vests, and even that is slipped off when they are laid for a minute on a warmed cloth over the scales.

This is really the only way in which the weight can be ascertained correctly, and gains or losses properly estimated by means of the weight-card.

While Mother dresses her baby, nurse gives a little advice according to the information noted on this card.

Rapid Gains

If Baby is gaining too rapidly, for instance, and suffering from wind or colicky pains after a feed, she will explain how best to cut down the feeds to the quantity that the infant can assimilate comfortably.

If, on the other hand, the gains are insufficient, she will go into the matter carefully, perhaps suggesting changes in the mother's diet or more rest for her, or else she may feel that supplementary feeds are indicated, and will advise accordingly.

I always advise every mother to keep a careful record of her baby's weight, whether she is able to attend a weighing centre or not.

Actually the weighing centre is best because of the facilities for undressing Baby, which could not be managed in the open chemist's shop; but, whatever method you follow, do have Baby weighed once a week up to the age of six months and after that once a fortnight up to the age of one year.

During the second year, once a month should be sufficient for the normally healthy toddler.

An important point is to have Baby weighed at about the same hour as well as on the same day each week. Well between two feeds is the best time if you want to get a fair estimate of the progress made.

If you cannot undress Baby, take a little parcel with you containing exactly similar garments to those which the infant is wearing, and having had this little parcel weighed, deduct that weight from that of the clothed baby.

What to Expect

There must be nothing slack about these weekly weighings; they must be carried out carefully and exactly observed, for they are useless as a guide to baby's progress.

How much should Baby gain? This is a question which puzzles many young mothers, and I find that most of them tend to expect too much where the weekly gains are concerned.

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For Our Junior Readers.

Burmese Stamps

* New Set of
PICTORIALS *

UNTIL the 1st April, 1939, Burma, an eastern land with an area five times that of England, but with less than half its population, was a province of the Indian Empire.

On that day it was separated from India and of some importance to philatelists—was given its own issue of stamps.

The first set consisted only of the current Indian stamps overprinted with the word "BURMA." There was a great demand for them from collectors, who thought at the time that they would not remain in use very long as a "definitive" set was rumoured.

It was eighteen months, however, before the new series appeared.

This King George VI set includes many interesting pictorials. Like the stamps of the neighbouring country, they are typically oriental in design.

The low values (from 3 pils to 10 annas) are normal size and portray the King as the highest values (1 to 10 rupees), which, however, are larger stamps.

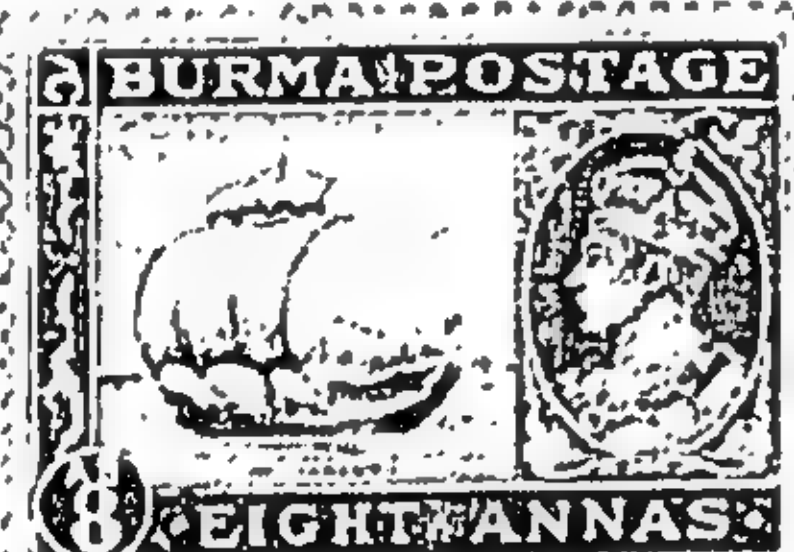


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Native Carvings

In all these values the border designs consist of strange mythical and symbolical creatures such as are found amongst the carvings of the native buildings.

At the base of the 1 and 2 rupees is a peacock, the magnificent outspread tail of which forms a kind of "halo"



Above: A sailing canoe with wind-filled sails on the mighty Irrawaddy. On the left: Oxen draw the plough in the rice fields of Burma.

around the central portrait. The principal river of the country is the Irrawaddy, a mighty waterway which is navigable for nearly 1,000 miles of its length. A canoe, with wind-filled sails, on this river, is pictured on the 8 annas.

The two main exports are rice and tea. On the 3 annas can be seen a rice field in which a Burmese is guiding a plough drawn by two oxen.

An elephant pushing a huge log of teak with its trunk is depicted on the 3 annas. The 2 annas illustrates the royal barge, a great pagoda-like building floating on the water.

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Fashion Notes

THERE are some interesting millinery shapes, notably the Robin Hood style in leaf-green shade. The tricorn with an open crown and a mass of small flowers grouped in front is making its debut to the public in Paris. From the crown, a soft veil falls gracefully over the wearer's shoulder.

I Like Spoiling My Daughter

JENNY is 10—and the apple of her father's eye. As I am her father, I am entitled to say that. What is more, I am not the least ashamed of it.

Yet most of my friends think it is a sign of great weakness on my part. "Very bad," they murmured, "Doesn't do to spoil your young women, you know. They will take advantage of it. Jenny will. You wait and see."

They were saying that when she was 12, but I have not noticed this trait yet in her character. In fact, she is as considerate to me as she has always been, and so grateful. As I like spoiling her, and there seem to be no ill effects—well, why shouldn't I?

"Ah, but when she marries, she will be too pampered to make a good wife," say these friends again. "If a woman does not know what it is to lead a hard life, she will never be able to stand up to reverses."

Strange Conduct

Their argument, I suppose, is that I should give my daughter a few hard knocks, just to show her what they are like!

It seems a peculiar policy to me. Surely it is more pleasant to have a serene, happy youth? And surely this background will help, not hinder her, whatever her life in after years may bring?

What they really mean is that she will always expect as good a home as she has left, and for the life of

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Before ironing pure silk, first damp it down well and leave the garment rolled up, prior to ironing with a hot iron. The method is different with Shantung silk, which must be ironed well as soon as it is dry.

Artificial silk requires careful handling, and should be pressed with a warm (never hot) iron on the wrong side; a hot iron is fatal to artificial silk, spoiling the colour and sometimes taking a whole piece out of the material.

Stockings which have shrunk in the wash can be stretched back to normal shape with the iron; first damp it slightly, then iron it on the wrong side. The damping process is very important, because if the article is not damp enough the "wrinkling creases" simply won't come out!

Finely woven weaves need only a warm iron when dry, on the wrong side, but hand-knitted cardigans and jumpers need a damp cloth when ironing, with a warm iron.

A better method, but one which takes more time, is first to pin the garment in place on your ironing board, then carefully press it, except at waist, wrists, and lower edge, with a warm iron; this treatment is excellent for a garment which has lost its shape in the wash.

Linen and cotton "fancy" work should be dampened well, and needs a hot iron to produce a "professional" glossy surface.

A time saving method with handkerchiefs and small linens is to place them, between ironing sheets and a layer of paper, before doing large work, then when you have finished ironing, raise up the ironing sheet and you will find your small work neatly pressed.

To enhance your embroidery, always iron it on the wrong side; this will give it an attractive raised appearance. Mats and doyleys should always be ironed from the centre outwards, to preserve their shape.

J. G.

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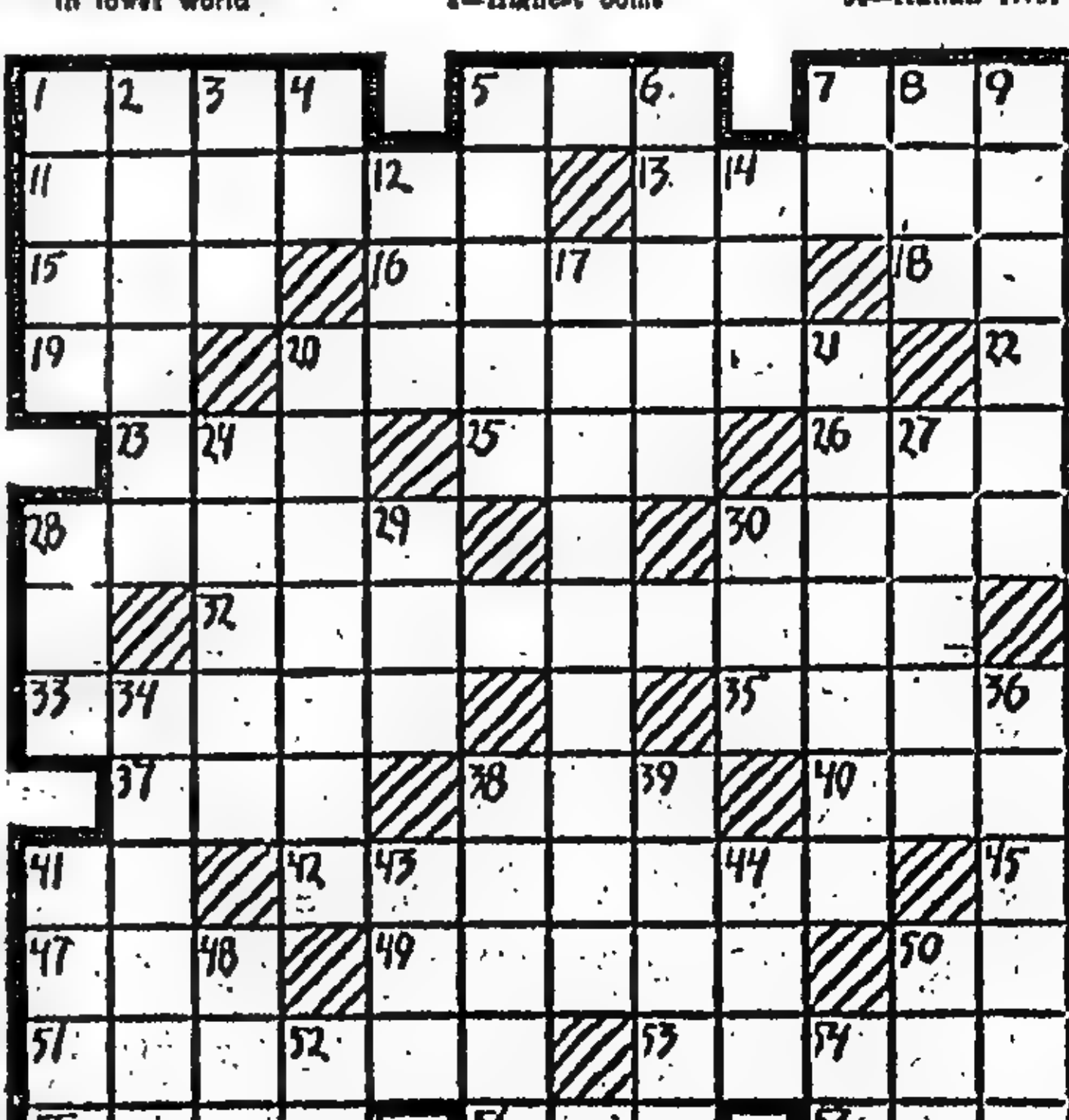
By LARS MORRIS

ACROSS

- 1—(Ait-venice cool)
- 2—The sun
- 3—Rider of the century
- 4—Interview
- 5—Rumoured
- 6—Shut in
- 7—Impure metals
- 8—Five hundred and one
- 9—For instance (sabor)
- 10—Small square on castle wall
- 11—Coral island
- 12—Chemical waste
- 13—Natal salute
- 14—Game resembling capoeira
- 15—Ladder over fence
- 16—Flag for holding money
- 17—Buildings devoted to religious life of monks
- 18—Color of grass
- 19—Small island
- 20—On to right
- 21—Nicknames of former
- 22—At the time when
- 23—Walk in security
- 24—One hundred and one
- 25—Discreet point of view
- 26—Birds in lowest world

DOWN

- 1—Eldest count
- 2—Abbreviation for Jewish organization
- 3—Literary holiday in Paris
- 4—Referring to
- 5—Secondary musician of tribes
- 6—Tip
- 7—At one time
- 8—At one time
- 9—Down
- 10—Characteristic north of a count
- 11—Day of month now passing (sabor)
- 12—Deserted driver
- 13—Eye (contraction)
- 14—Voice (Italian)
- 15—Large serpent
- 16—In the name (sabor)
- 17—Railroad (sabor)
- 18—Italian river



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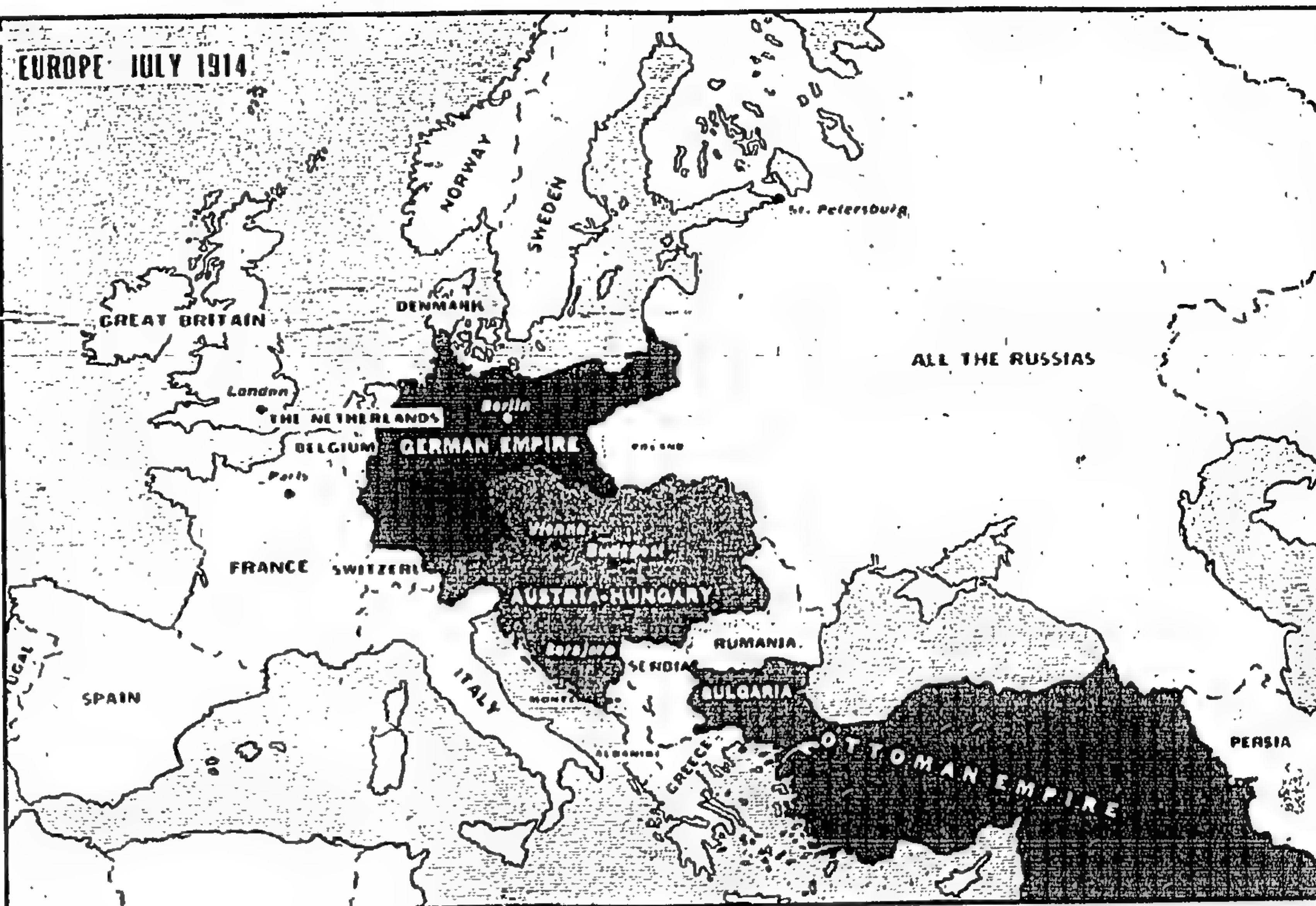
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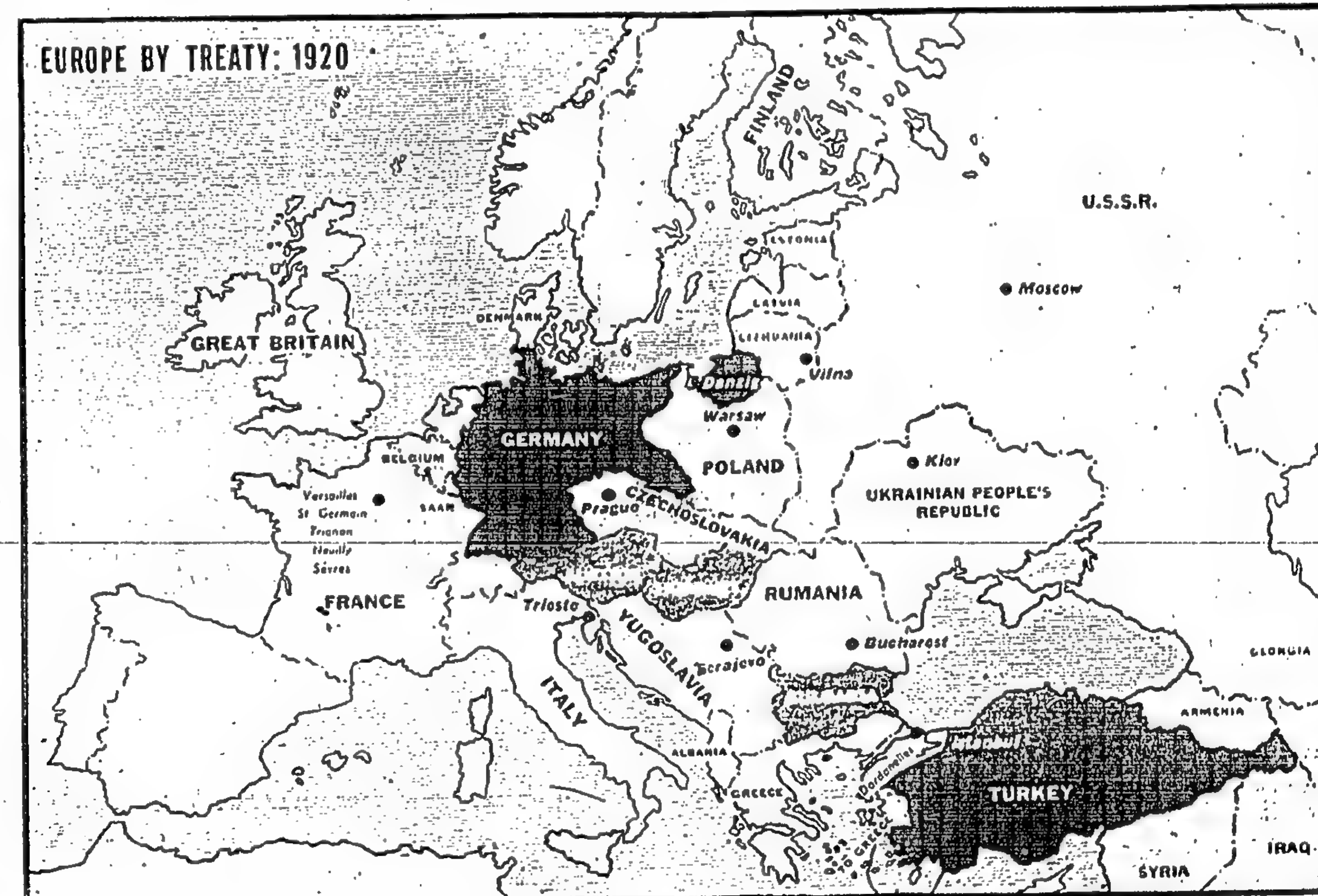
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LATE NEWS

Slovakia Becomes German Vassal

Pressburg, Mar. 15. The special Trans-Ocean Correspondent, Herr Wolf Meyer-Christian, was informed by high Government officials that a law regulating the future relations between Germany and Slovakia would be promulgated soon, probably early on Thursday morning.

Strict silence is still maintained concerning the contents of the law, apparently because Slovakia first wants to obtain the consent of the Reich.

Informed quarters defined the future status of Slovakia as "modified Suzerainty." It is stated that Slovakia will maintain direct diplomatic relations with other States, but her foreign policy will be coordinated with the foreign policy of the Reich.

It is furthermore believed that the law will define the "protection" which the Reich assumes for Slovakia, and that it will contain clauses respecting the close economic adjustment of Slovakia and the economic policy of the Reich.—Trans-Ocean.

Slovakia "Joins" Anti-Comintern

Pressburg, Mar. 15. "Trans-Ocean" learns that Slovakia has decided to join the anti-Comintern Pact and that an announcement of this will be issued shortly.

Concerning the establishment of legations in foreign countries, it is stated that so far only Germany, Hungary and Poland have recognised the new State, and that therefore legations in Berlin, Budapest and Warsaw will be established forthwith.

It is stressed, however, that Slovak legations will also be established at Rome, Paris, London and the Vatican, as soon as these countries have recognised the new State.—Trans-Ocean.

Three Shots Fired!

Prague, Mar. 15. With the exception of three shots, the occupation of all large towns in the Provinces of Moravia and Bohemia was carried out with amazing speed and without incident.

The speed is all the more remarkable because of the heavy snow-falls and the unfavourable weather in general. With one exception no clashes between the German army and the Czech population or the Czech army, which is in the meantime being disarmed, took place.

The Czech garrison at Mistek erected barricades and refused to surrender. Three shots from a German gun were fired, and the Czechs signified their surrender by hoisting a white flag. The Czechs lost one dead and three wounded.—Trans-Ocean.

DEBATE IN COMMONS

(Continued from Page 4.)

principles of law in international relations.

Mr. Grenfell, Sir Archibald Sinclair and Mr. Anthony Eden, who spoke next urged upon the Government the necessity of rapid action to safeguard the position of refugees in Czechoslovakia.

Mr. Eden elicited from the Premier the intimation that there was no intention of cancelling the rest of Mr. R. S. Hudson's tour of the northern capitals of Europe. He paid tribute to the courage, dignity and restraint of the Czech people in meeting their new trial.

"CAN BE NO DOUBT"

"There can be no doubt about the character of the action Germany had taken," Mr. Eden added.

"There is no shred of evidence of Czech ill-treatment of the German minority, with stories of which the German press has been full.

"There has been a campaign of intense provocation by the minority, and imaginary grievances have been paraded in an attempt to justify illegitimate action.

"The hopes which some have been able to repose last October in the results of the Munich Agreement have been falsified and no one now can doubt that there will be only a brief respite before further demands are made and another victim is arraigned which would, like its predecessors, be confronted with the alternative of resistance or surrender.

"What we see in the world to-day is a rapid deterioration of international authority.

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"I am convinced if these methods are allowed to continue unchecked, we will all be involved in universal tragedy."

Mr. Eden concluded with a fervid appeal for the co-operation of parties

State Procession For M. Lebrun

London, Mar. 15. When the French President and Madame Lebrun arrive in London on Tuesday for a state visit, the King and Queen will welcome them at Victoria Station, and there will be a state procession from the station to Buckingham Palace.

The King and Queen and Monsieur and Madame Lebrun will drive in state landaus, accompanied by the Sovereign's escort of the Household Cavalry.—British Wireless.

No Convicts For Palestine Police

London, Mar. 15. Answering a House of Commons question on recruitment for the Palestine police service, which he said was proceeding normally, the Colonial Secretary emphatically repudiated suggestions which had been circulated in some quarters, that when prisoners convicted of violence in the United Kingdom, efforts were made to recruit them for service in Palestine.—British Wireless.

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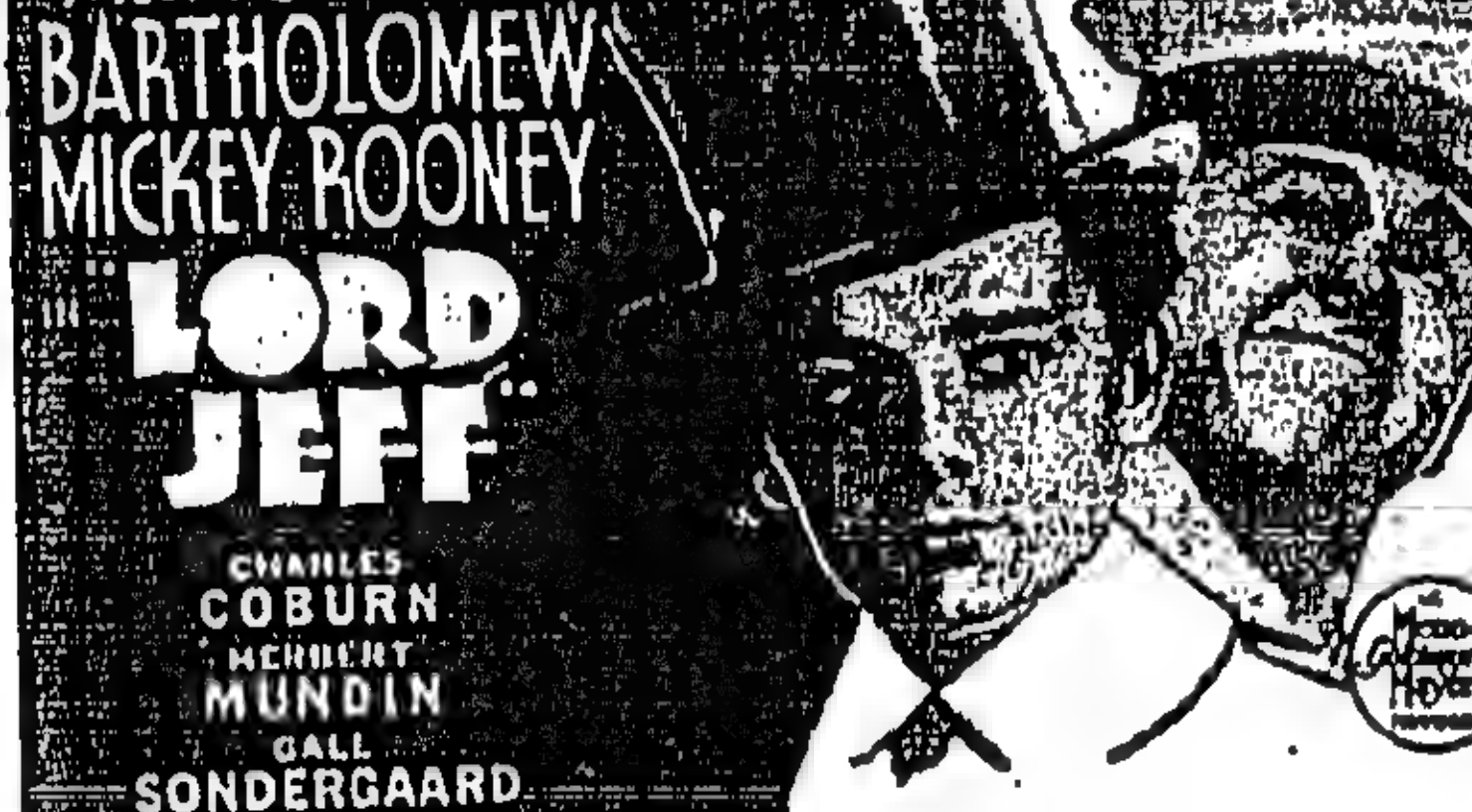
"Such a Government of all parties will have to examine the new military and strategic position, and consult with all like-minded nations, wherever they be and whatever they be, on what their common policy should be—where they should make their stand and how they should give effect to their decision," Mr. Eden concluded.—British Wireless.

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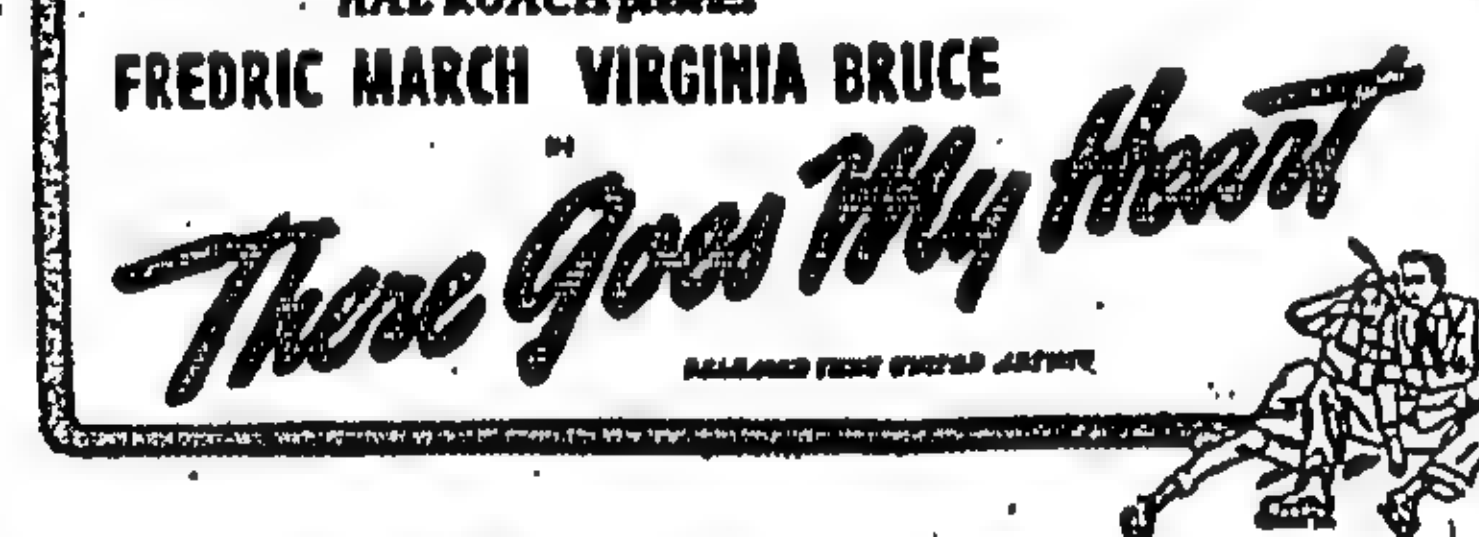
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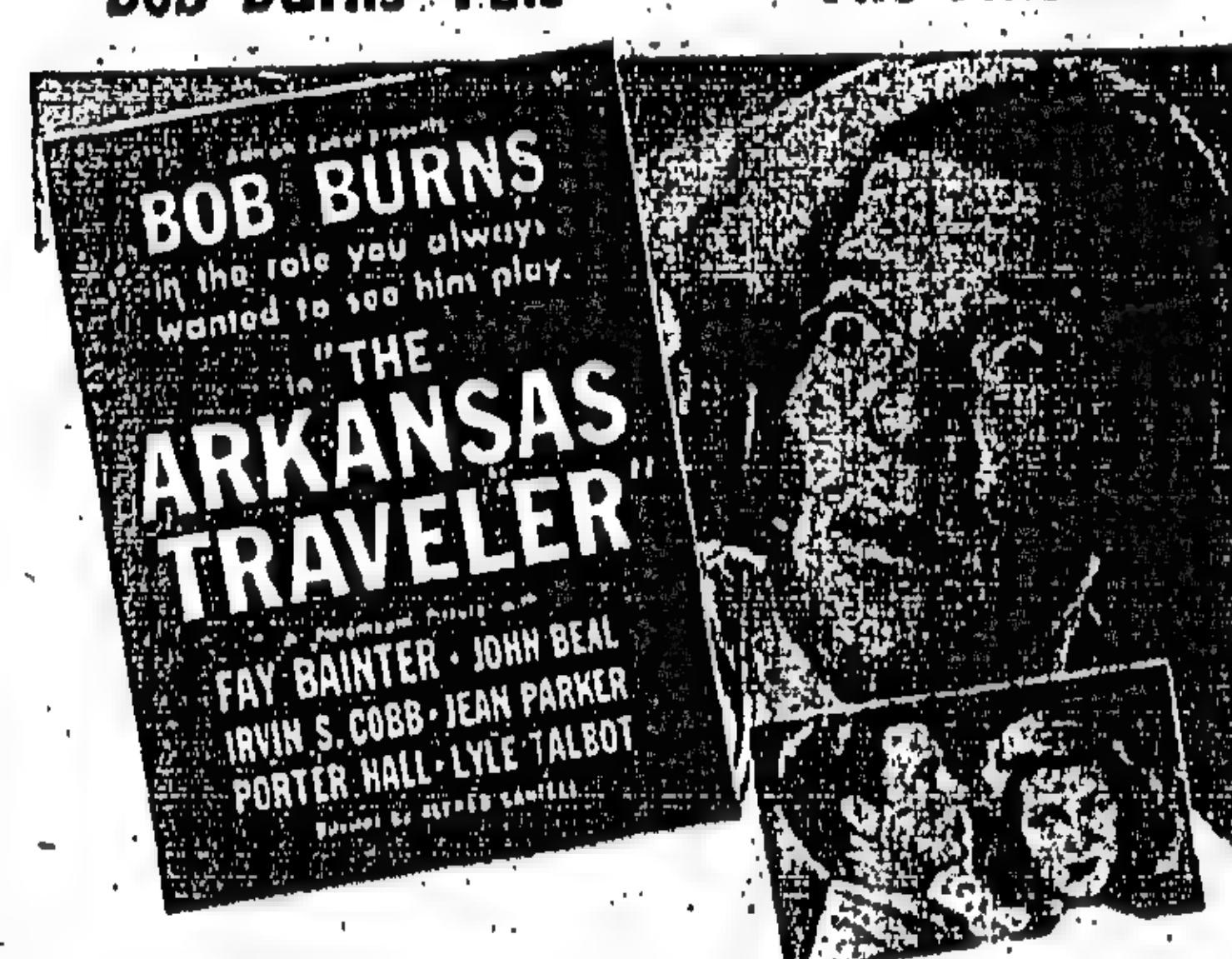
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This is an average of 150 per week.

During the last 24 hours, twenty new notifications were made, including eight from Victoria, nine from Kowloon, two from the New Territories, and one from Rural Hongkong.

Yesterday also produced fourteen new cases of measles, nine of meningitis, six of diphtheria, three of dysentery, and one each of enteric fever, chicken-pox, and puerperal fever.

So far this year there have been 476 cases of measles, 202 cases of dysentery, 124 cases of meningitis, 137 of chicken-pox, 115 of diphtheria, 100 of enteric fever, 108 of small-pox, 12 of puerperal fever, five of cholera, and four of scarlet fever.

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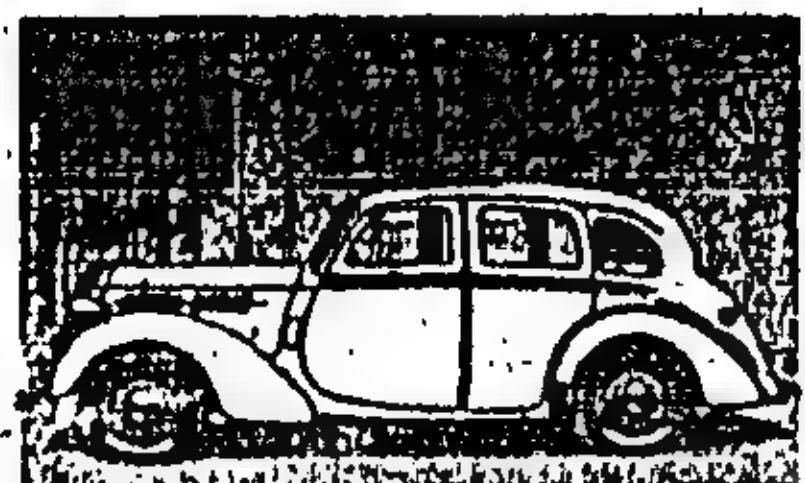
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FIGHTING IN RUTHENIA: HUNGARIAN ULTIMATUM DEMANDS SURRENDER



Ruled black line shows the area of Czechoslovakia seized after September. The "limes" now becomes German territory, the "limes" maintains a German vassalage, while the fall goes to Hungary.

MOBILISATION ORDERED TO DEFEND NEW NATION

Rumours Of Sensational Bombing Threat By German Dictator

LONDON, Mar. 16.

A sinister touch is given in this morning's papers to President Hacha's fateful interview with Herr Hitler.

A number of Diplomatic Correspondents, including that of the "Times," refer to reports reaching London that Hitler threatened to bomb Prague from the air unless the German demands were immediately acceded to.—Reuter.

INDEPENDENCE PROCLAIMED

BRATISLAVA, Mar. 15.

THE RUTHENIAN PARLIAMENT HAS PROCLAIMED RUTHENIA TO BE AN INDEPENDENT SOVEREIGN STATE AND WILL RESIST HUNGARIAN ENCROACHMENT, STATES "UNITED PRESS."

"Havas" reports that the Hungarian Foreign Minister, Count Csaky, has presented an ultimatum to the Premier of Ruthenia demanding a reply to the Hungarian proposal for cession of Ruthenia to Hungary by 8 p.m. (4 a.m. H.K.T.).

RUTHENIANS OPPOSE HUNGARIANS

Serious fighting is now in progress at various points along the Ruthenian-Hungarian frontier, says "Trans-Ocean."

The National Defence Organisation of Ruthenia, known as "Sic," has succeeded in driving Hungarian troops out of 18 towns and villages which had been occupied in the morning.

It is also reported that the railway between Hust and the Hungarian frontier has been destroyed to prevent the Hungarians from using it.

Fighting during the afternoon was approaching nearer the frontier as the Hungarians were forced to retreat.

EFFECT ON BRITAIN

Future Policy Based On Further Acts

LONDON, Mar. 15.

THE EVENTS IN Czechoslovakia were the main pre-occupation of the Cabinet at its meeting this morning. It is understood that the Ministers took a very grave view of the situation, and consequently will press on the re-armament programme to the utmost.

While British policy will continue to be directed towards a peaceful settlement of disputes, there seems little doubt that Ministers will henceforth base policy on the risks of further acts by Germany outside the boundaries of her own nationals.

Developments to-day shocked members of all parties, but the view is widely held that in the present situation, no effective action could be taken by this country.

The suggestion by Mr. Anthony Eden of an all-party Government has met with little support.

QUICKER THAN EXPECTED
The partition of Czechoslovakia has come quicker than expected, writes a diplomatic observer, but the efficiency and rapidity with which Hitler seized Bohemia and Moravia can be no surprise.

The German formula has been identical in each of her three foreign successes in the last twelve months. First the ground is thoroughly prepared, and then, when all arrangements are complete, a mine is sprung and German troops have merely to take possession of territory gained by diplomacy.

This time, however, the soldiers were not needed with banners and cheers, but with cat-calls and hisses.

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Japan's Fishery Claim

SOVIET PROCEEDS WITH DISPUTED AUCTION

MOSCOW, Mar. 16.

LAST MINUTE EFFORTS by Japan to postpone the auction of fishery lots at Vladivostok have failed.

No official announcement has been made by the Soviet authorities, but it is understood that, despite representations by the Japanese Ambassador, the auction of fishery lots was carried out at 2 p.m. yesterday.

Japanese interests did not participate in the auctions.—Domei.

MEMEL MAY JOIN REICH

To Seek German Protection?

PARIS, Mar. 15.

THE BERLIN BUREAU of "Havas" reports that rumours current in Berlin say that German nationals residing in Memel Territory in Lithuania and Danzig Free City, encouraged by Germany, would petition to Reichsfuehrer Hitler to annex the two cities and place them under Germany's protection.—Domei.

NEW ANSCHLUSS?

Memel, Mar. 15.

That the 150,000 inhabitants of the autonomous Memel district will proclaim their desire for an Anschluss with the Reich within the next few days is the opinion prevailing here. This view is augmented by the declaration of the leader of the Memel Germans, Dr. Ernst Neumann, who claimed that the forcible separation of Memel from the Reich was a violation of the right of self-determination. He added that he was authorised by 87 per cent. of the inhabitants to take the necessary steps to change this state of affairs.—Trans-Ocean.

Subject to audit the Directors of the British Traders Insurance Co., Ltd. will recommend the payment of a Dividend of 7s. per share for the year ended December 31, 1938.

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JAPAN PLANS CONTROL OF SHIPPING ROUTES

TOKYO, Mar. 16.

JAPAN'S PLANS for controlling shipping in China were outlined in the Tokyo Diet yesterday by a spokesman of the Ministry of Communications.

The spokesman revealed that Japan plans to put into effect a system which will ensure that shipping routes to China will be properly controlled "in order to prevent unnecessary competition" with the enterprises of the National Policy concern set up by the Government.

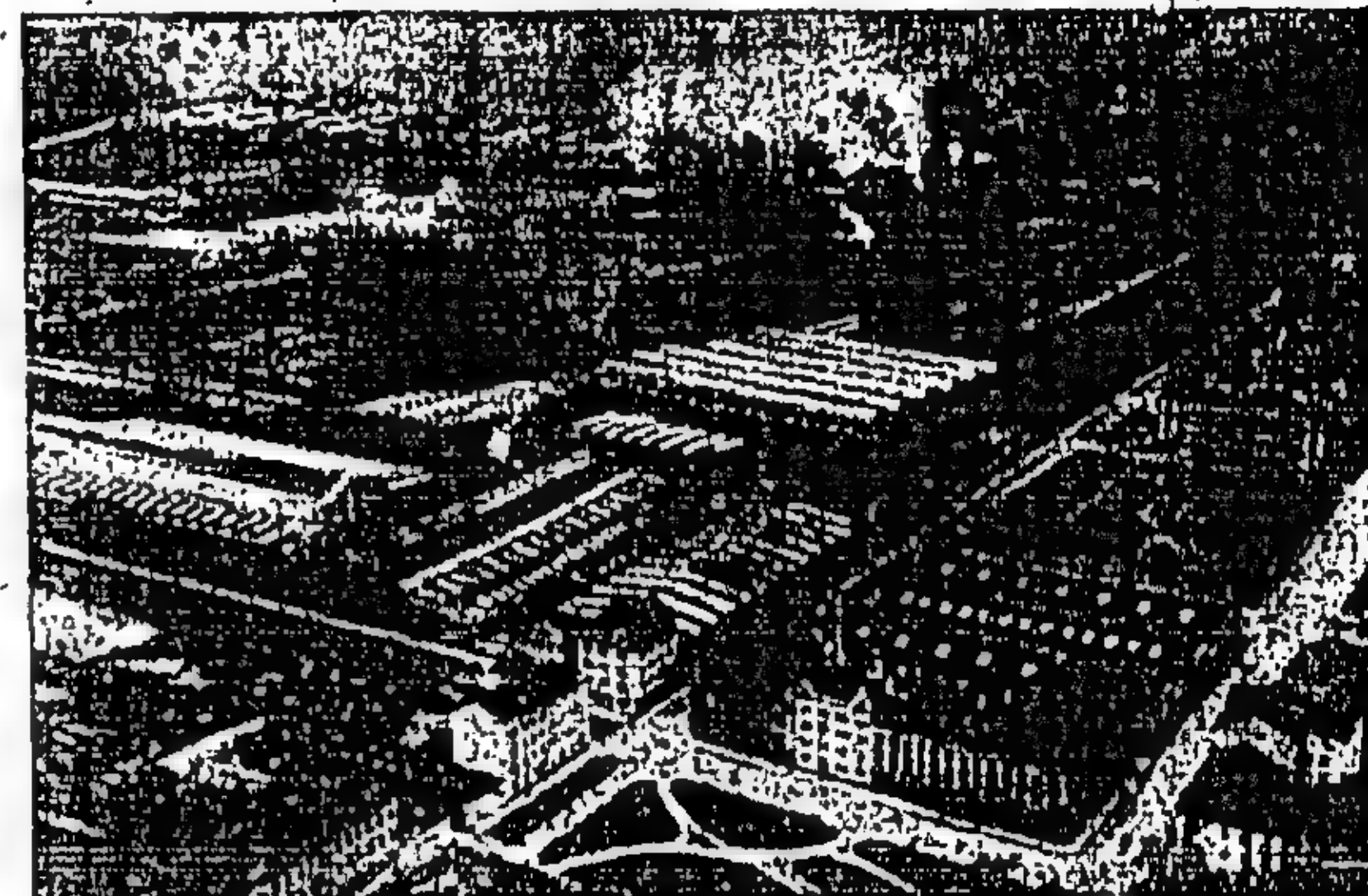
Germany And Trade Talks

Berlin, Mar. 15.

Commenting on the postponement of the visit of Mr. R. S. Hudson and Mr. Oliver Stanley, German political circles, while expressing polite regret, are fully conscious of the necessity of this measure.

It is reported that "satisfactory progress" has been made between the Federation of British Industries delegation and the Reichsgruppe Industrie when official trade talks opened here to-day.—Reuter.

The P. & O. steamer Jeypore is due here to-morrow at about 11 a.m.



A VIEW OF THE vast Czech armament works near Pilsen. These will now become German property.



THE TYN CHURCH in Prague. Here John Huss preached, and at its base stands his statue. Tower at left is the Old Town Hall with famed intricate clock.

LATEST

Germany Tells Its Ally

Tokyo, Mar. 16.

The German Ambassador to Japan, Major-General Eugen Ott, called on the Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, at the Foreign Office at 11.35 a.m. to-day and explained the Fuehrer's intention of placing the Czech people under Germany's protection.

Ambassador Ott, after explaining the steps taken by his Government against Czechoslovakia, asked the Japanese Government's understanding regarding the new situation in Central Europe.

Pending receipt of detailed official information from Japanese diplomatic representatives in Europe, the Japanese Government has not decided upon its attitude vis-a-vis the Czech situation.

Political circles indicate that upon receipt of official reports, the Japanese Government will manifest its friendly attitude towards Germany in connection with the new development.—Domei.

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NEWSPAPER REACTIONS

Russia Sees Threat To Poland, Rumania

MOSCOW, Mar. 15.

"THE FULL SUBJUGATION of Czechoslovakia intensifies the German threat to Poland and Rumania, and renders Central Europe subject to new conflicts and clashes," writes Pravda.

The newspaper adds that German Fascism again demonstrates its disinclination to observe promises, which is described as a direct result of the appeasement policy of Anglo-French diplomacy.—Reuter Special.

TOKYO

The "Japan Advertiser" American owned English language newspaper in Tokyo, says that what is tragic about the continued dismemberment of Czechoslovakia is that no effort or even pretence is any longer made to protect the integrity of Czechoslovakia.

The paper declares that Czechoslovakia, which has been gradually dismembered since the Munich Conference, will lose its integrity altogether if Hitler has his way in the present dispute.

"There seems none prepared to prevent Hitler from having it," the paper declares.—Domei.

The Japanese press interprets Germany's new move as another step in her drive East.

The newspaper "Asahi Shimbun" declares that "Stalin seriously mis-calculated when, in his speech to the Communist Congress he declared that Germany had changed her Eastern drive to a Western one. The menace will be most keenly felt by Poland and Rumania."—Reuter.

ROME

Rome Newspaper headlines glaringly read "Czechoslovakia Cedes to Exist a State."

Reports appearing in Italian newspapers confirm that with the advance of German troops on Prague, Bohemia and Moravia have virtually been annexed by Germany, while Slovakia has come under the control of Hungary.

Stating that the declaration of independence by Slovakia and Ukraine heralds possible re-demarcation of the borders of Balkan States, these papers understand that with

further progress of the Ukraine question, Rumania will also be involved in the demarcation of new borders.

Some diplomatic circles in Rome believe that the recent large-scale mobilisation of troops in Italy was inspired to support Herr Hitler's latest coup.—Domei.

While official circles are chary of commenting on the Czechoslovak situation, this morning's newspapers give the trend of public opinion.

The "Telegraph" declares that "only after the Munich conference had been hastily summoned was military occupation of the whole of Czechoslovakia avoided last September. Munich might have had a great influence on the European situation, but its spirit died."—Reuter.

BERLIN

The first official German comment on the events in Central Europe appears in the "Diplomatische Korrespondenz," which states that "history confirms on the Czech people no claim whatever to independence. Czech political leadership itself has now reached the conclusion that the experiment of sole Czech responsibility for Bohemia and Moravia has been a failure."

HONGKONG

Local Chinese newspapers give full reports on the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia.

The Sing Tao Jih Pao condemns German and Hungarian aggression and sharply asks "should an independent state be thus partitioned without any outside assistance?"

The short-sightedness and selfishness of some of the European democratic Powers, how allow the partition of Czechoslovakia despite international treaty obligations, coupled with the submissive attitude of some of the political authorities of Czechoslovakia, was the paper's responsibility for the tragedy.

"Resistance against aggressor," declares the paper, "is the only way out for victim of aggression. Our war against Japanese invasion is a good example of it."

The "Ta Kung Pao" is puzzled at the report that the Hungarian occupation of Ruthenia had become an accomplished fact. The paper pointed out that Ruthenia was the Gateway to Ukraine, which Hitler must need for himself.

GERMAN INVASION: STORY ON PAGE 7

Poland recognises independence.

Poland ignores appeal.

Ultimatum not met.

Completely shorn of powers.

Bratislava, Mar. 15.

M. KARL SIDOR, the former Prague Government's nominee as

Minister of the Interior in the Slovak Cabinet, has gone on a holiday.

It will last for four weeks, and it is not expected that he will return to office.

Meanwhile, Premier Tiso, whose appeal to Hitler on behalf of Slovak independence succeeded, has temporarily taken charge of the Ministry of the Interior.—Trans-Ocean.

NO ARMY
The new Slovak Republic will be completely shorn of all powers.

It will have no army and will be utterly dependent upon Germany for maintenance of territorial integrity.

German troops have already invaded the new Republic for the purpose of "maintaining order."

The population of the new Republic is 3,254,000, as compared with the former population of 14,000,000 of the Czechoslovakian Republic.

Some quarters believe that Herr Hitler will maintain the fiction of Slovakian independence in order to provide a buffer between the new German provinces of Czechia and the Russians.

Poland recognises independence.

Warsaw, Mar. 15.
The Polish Government has decided to establish a Polish Legation in Bratislava, thereby practically recognising the independence of Slovakia.

ULTIMATUM NOT MET
The Polish Consul-General in Bratislava has been appointed Charge d'Affaires in Bratislava.—Trans-Ocean.

BRATISLAVA, Mar. 15.
The Polish Government does not intend to answer the appeal of the Ruthenian Premier, in which he announced the independence of that country, it was officially stated here to-day.

M. Volosine has appealed to the Polish Government for co-operation with the new State.—Trans-Ocean.

PREMIER FLAYS GERMANY FOR VIOLATION OF SPIRIT OF MUNICH IN COMMONS DEBATE

"Events Must Disturb World Situation"

LONDON, Mar. 16.

A CROWDED AND EXPECTANT HOUSE OF COMMONS LISTENED THIS AFTERNOON TO THE PRIME MINISTER'S STATEMENT ON THE EVENTS IN CENTRAL EUROPE.

THE PREMIER WAS GREETED WITH MINISTERIAL CHEERS AND OPPOSITION CRIES.

After a recital of the facts, as known to him, Mr. Chamberlain said that the moral guarantee to Czecho-Slovakia given last October had lapsed through the disintegration of that country.

The Bank of England had been instructed to suspend any further payments under the credit of £10,000,000 advanced to the Czecho-Slovakia Government and the visit of the President of the Board of Trade and the secretary of the Department of Overseas Trade to Berlin would not take place.

After making these announcements Mr. Chamberlain turned back to consider the policy of the Munich settlement.

"Having regard to the alternatives open to us at that time," he said, "I have no doubt that the course the British Government took was the right course and I believe it received the approval of the vast majority of world opinion."

NOT PROVED FINAL
That settlement, however, has not proved final, Czecho-Slovakia, to which we had hoped to give a more stable future, has disintegrated.

"I have so often heard charges of breach of faith bandied about, which did not seem to me to be founded on sufficient premises, that I do not wish to associate myself to-day with any charges of that character."

"I am bound to say, however, that I cannot believe anything of the kind that has now taken place was contemplated by any of the signatories of the Munich Agreement."

"The Munich Agreement constituted a settlement, accepted by the four Powers and Czecho-Slovakia, of the Czecho-Slovakian question."

"It provided for a fixation of the future frontiers of Czecho-Slovakia and laid down the limits of German occupation, which the German Government accepted."

NO WARNING
"They have now, without, so far as I know, any communication with the other three signatories of the Munich Agreement, sent their troops beyond the frontier they laid down."

"Even though it may now be claimed what has taken place has occurred with the acquiescence of the Czecho-Slovak Government, I cannot regard the manner and methods by which these changes have been brought about as in accord with the spirit of the Munich Agreement."

"There is a further point I cannot omit to mention.
"If, therefore, the German Government, in extending the area of their military control, have defended their action by the contention that they were only incorporating in the Reich the neighbouring masses of people of the German race."

CHANGE OF POLICY
"Now, for the first time, they are effecting the military occupation of a territory inhabited by people with whom they have no racial connection."

"The events I have described to the House cannot fail to cause disturbance to the international situation and administer shock to the confidence which was beginning to revive."

"They are bound to administer a shock to confidence.
"This is the more regrettable because confidence was beginning to revive, and there was a possibility of concrete measures which could achieve benefit."

"In this connection I would recall by appeal at Birmingham at the end of January for a contribution by others to the search for peace, which is the aim of my Government."

We are resolved that the method of consultation shall be the method adopted to deal with any other questions that may concern our two countries, and we are determined to continue our efforts to remove possible sources of differences and thus to contribute to assure the peace of Europe.

Neville Chamberlain

THE FAMOUS AGREEMENT

"World Is Heading Straight For Anarchy"—Mr. Anthony Eden

sun and justice, and violence has triumphed.

"Mr. Chamberlain, in his simplicity of mind, believed that the undertakings at Munich were given in good faith. The Premier had said so."

"Czecho-Slovakia has now been occupied in the same manner as it would have been if there had been no Munich."

"We were now entering upon a period of immediate and terrible danger."

"To-morrow, it might be Poland, who will be at an immense military disadvantage. Hungary can be overwhelmed in hours. Rumania is on the way."

"There is no security left in Europe. The smaller nations are in a state of apprehension and fear, and even large nations are not free from it. I ask the Government to seek, before it is too late, an assemblage for co-operative

effort of the peace loving forces of Europe and the world."

LIBERAL ATTACK

Sir Archibald Sinclair, for the Liberals, thought that the methods of crypto-aggression employed by Herr Hitler's Government in Czecho-Slovakia would almost certainly be used again elsewhere and he, too, appealed to the Premier to gather like-minded nations under British leadership in defence of the principles of law in international relations.

Mr. Grenfell, Sir Archibald Sinclair and Mr. Anthony Eden, who spoke next urged upon the government the necessity of rapid action to safeguard the position of refugees in Czecho-Slovakia.

Mr. Eden was cheered when he rose to speak. He elicited from the Premier the impression that there was no intention of cancelling the rest of Mr. R. S. Hudson's tour of the

northern capitals of Europe. He paid tribute to the courage, dignity and restraint of the Czech people in meeting their new trial.

"CAN BE NO DOUBT"
"There can be no doubt about the character of the action Germany had taken," Mr. Eden added.

"There is no shred of evidence of Czech ill-treatment of the German minority, with stories of which the German press has been full."

No representations had been made to the Czech Government or to the British and French governments of such, as should have been made under the Munich agreement if the matter was serious and urgent.

"There has been a campaign of intense provocation by the minority, and imaginary grievances have been paraded in an attempt to justify ill-treatment."

"It is difficult to escape the conclusion that these grievances are

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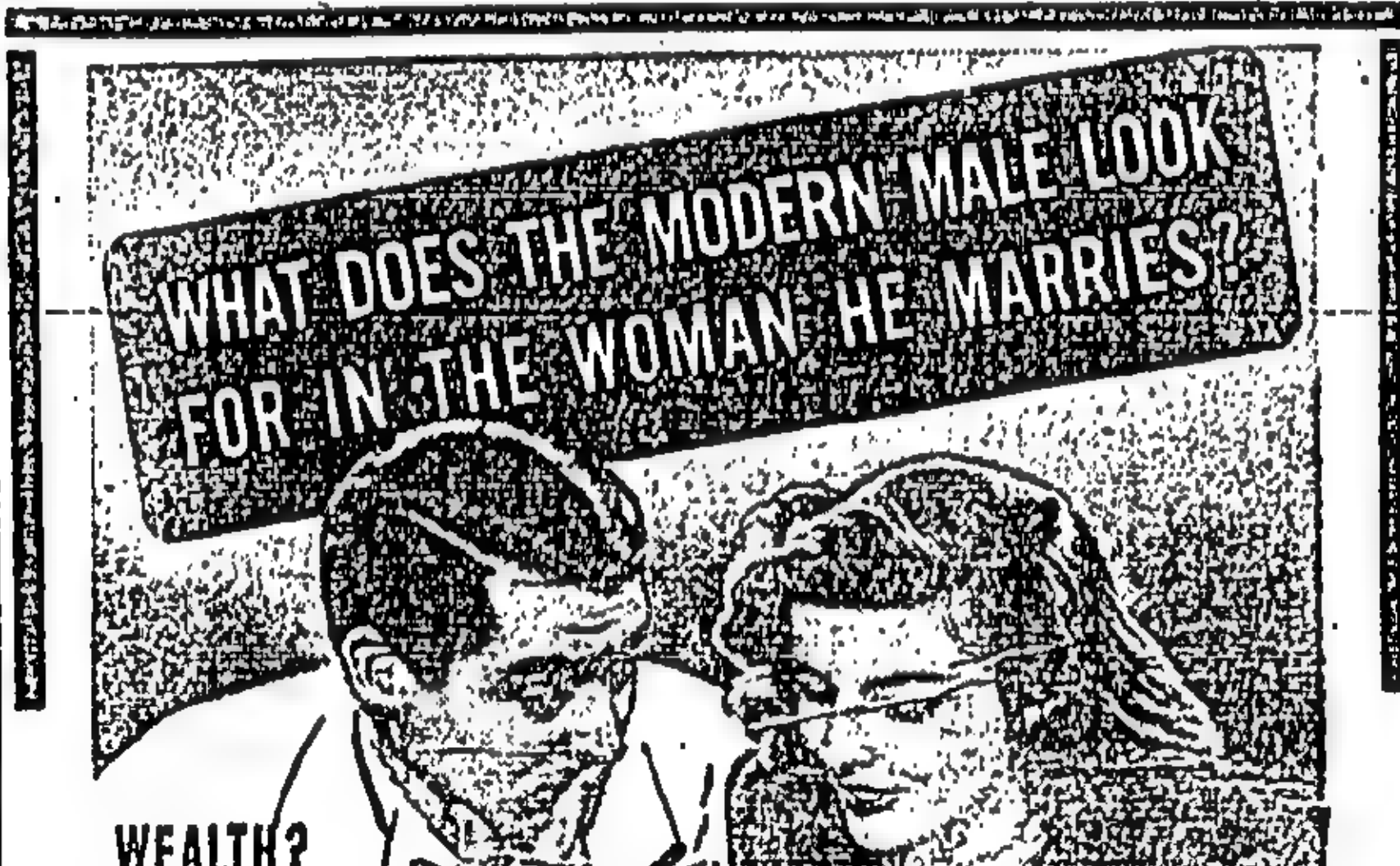
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H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS	
H.K. Bank \$	1410 n.
H.K. Bank Ltd.	80 1/2 n.
Chartered \$	80 1/2 n.
Mercantile, A. & B. \$	27 1/2 n.
Mercantile, C. \$	13 n.
East Asia \$	80 b.
INSURANCES	
Canton \$	225 b.
Union \$	485 b.
China Underwriter Ltd. \$	5 1/2 n.
H.K. Fire \$	190 b.
SHIPPING	
Douglas \$	68 b.
Swamboots \$	18 n.
Indo-China, P. \$	40 n.
Indo-China, D. \$	24 n.
Shell Bearer \$	85 1/2 n.
Waterboats \$	8 n.
DOCKETS ETC.	
Wharves \$	118 1/2 b.
Docks (old) \$	19 1/2 b.
Docks (new) \$	13 1/2 b.
Providentia (old) \$	10 1/2 n.
Providentia (new) \$	6 3/4 n.
New Eng. Sh. \$	0.00 n.
Sh. Docks, Sh. \$	105 n.
MINING	
Kailan s/	10 1/2 n.
Railis \$	0.35 n.
Yung Goid \$	3 n.
Hongkong Mines \$	3 n.
Antamoks \$	43 1/2 n.
Alots \$	39 1/2 sa.
Bagulo Gold \$	28 sa.
Benguel Cons. \$	13.50 sa.
Coco Grove \$	47 sa.
Con Mines \$	14 sa.
Demonstrations \$	14 sa.
L.K.L. \$	68 n.
Gumaus \$	10 n.
San Mauricio \$	2.15 sa.
Suyou Consol \$	20 1/2 sa.
Paracules \$	77 sa.
LANDS	
Hotels \$	ex. div. 8 1/2 b.
Lands \$	16 1/2 n.
Lands 4% deb. \$	107 1/2 n.
Shin Lands Sh. \$	0.30 n.
Humphreys \$ (x.d.)	8.55 n.
H.K. Rentals \$	(x.d.) 4.80 b.
Chinese Estates \$	100 n.
UTILITIES	
Trans \$	16.00 b.
Peak Trans (old) \$	8 n.
Peak Trans (new) \$	8 n.
Star Ferries \$	67 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries (old) \$	24 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries (new) \$	23 1/2 n.
China Lights (old) \$	8.00 n.
China Lights (new) \$	8 n.
China Electric \$	10 1/2 n.
Macao Electric \$	10 1/2 n.
Sandakan Lights \$	11.30 n.
Telephones (old) \$	22 1/2 n.
Telephones (new) \$	7 1/2 n.
Tractions s/	23 1/2 n.
Tractions (Frer.) s/	23 1/2 n.
STORES, ETC.	
Cold: Macg. (old) \$	14 n.
Cold: Macg. (Prer.) \$	13 n.
Canton Ices \$	1 b.
Cements \$	14 1/2 n.
H.K. Ropes \$	4.10 b.
COTTON MILLS	
Dairy Farms \$	26 n.
Watsons \$	9.20 n.
Sinceres \$	1.00 n.
Lane Crawford \$	7 n.
Wing On (H.K.) \$	46 b.
Powell, Ltd. etc.	90 n.
MISC.	
Ewo Sh. \$	18.70 n.
Shin Cotton Sh. \$	104 n.
Zoung Shing \$	24 n.
Wing On Textile Sh. \$	40 n.
MANILA SHARES	
Closing quotations through Reuters:	
Antamok	43 1/2
Atok	39 1/2
Bagulo Gold	28
Batong Duhay	021
Benguel Cons.	13.50
Big Wedge	47 1/2
Coco Grove	47
Con. Mines	0025
Demonstration	14
L.K.L.	68
Ipo Gold	23 1/2
Macao Mining	31 1/2
Mambulo Cons.	19
Manabte Cons.	16
Mine Operations	17
North Camarines	17
Paracale Gumau	16
San Mauricio	2.15
Surigao Cons.	20 1/2
Suyou Consol	20 1/2
Syncline Tave	31 1/2
United Paracale	77

The following is Swan, Culbertson & Friz report on this morning's market:

The Manila market was steady. Several stocks showed losses of 1/2 centavo, while North Camarines was down one centavo. Several stocks showed gains of 1/2 centavo, while Surigao Consolated was up 1 1/2 centavos. Yesterday's volume in Pesos was 945,000.

LOCAL THEOSOPHISTS

"The Essence of Judaism" will be the title of the free public lecture to be given by Mr. D. O. Silver to-night, at 8 p.m., at the lodge-room of the local Theosophical Society, 13 Chater Road. All interested are welcome.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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Two Free Lectures on Christian Science will be given on Thursday, 23rd May and Saturday, 27th May next by Mr. Peter V. Ross C.S.B. Detailed particulars will be published in due course.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of the Company, 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 27th March, 1939, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from 16th to 27th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK,

Hongkong, 1st March, 1939.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

The Seventieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the under-signed on Friday, the 24th March, 1939, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 10th to the 24th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY FRIDAY—17th MARCH, 1939.

A wreath will be laid at the GENOTAPH by the President and Committee of St. Patrick's Society, at 11.00 a.m.

Members of the Society and their friends are asked to assemble under the verandah at the North side of the Supreme Court prior to the ceremony.

ST. PATRICK'S BALL PENINSULA HOTEL—9.30 p.m.

Members of St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong and their guests are informed that there will be a Special FIVE MINUTES Service of "STAR" FERRIES from HONG KONG to KOWLOON between 9.00 p.m. and 9.30 p.m. on 17th March and SPECIAL FERRIES from KOWLOON to HONG KONG at 2.00 a.m., 2.45 a.m. and 3.15 a.m. on the following morning. The last ordinary Ferry leaves at 1.15 a.m.

A BUFFET SUPPER will be served from 11.30 p.m. to 1.30 a.m. Tables may be booked with the Management of the Peninsula Hotel before 7.00 p.m. on the night of the Ball.

Admission to the Ball is by ticket only which is to be presented at the MAIN ENTRANCE to the Hotel.

Tickets may be obtained from Mr. P. J. A. Hamilton, Hon. Treasurer, P.O. Box 417 or Harbour View Hotel, Chatham Road, Kowloon.

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Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,

Secretary and Manager.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1939.

G. R. 1939-1940.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the Royal Naval Hospital, until 10 a.m. on the 21st March, 1939, at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Printed Forms of Tender and further particulars can be obtained at the Royal Naval Hospital. The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.

G. V. HOBBS,

Surgeon Captain,

Medical Officer in Charge.

Royal Naval Hospital,

Hong Kong.

15th. March, 1939.

G. R.

PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS

of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 20th day of March, 1939, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the KING, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 2683	Adjoining New Kowloon Island Lot No. 2682, and Wing Shing Shau Wan.	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	As per sale plan.	About 7,000	\$5
						\$4,200

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						\$1,250

PRUNES AND RAISINS

San Jose, Cal. California always has an excess production of prunes and welcomes any suggestion that will dispose of them. The last one comes from the California Dried Fruit Research Bureau, which has found that chopped prunes improve the texture and richness of mince meat, without, however, reducing the amount of raisins as California also has raisins to sell.

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3	New Kowloon Island Lot No. 2640	Adjoining New Kowloon Island Lot No. 1492, and Ngau Shi Wan.	N. 100 ft. E. 100 ft. S. 100 ft. W. 100 ft.	As per sale plan.	About 1,450	\$210
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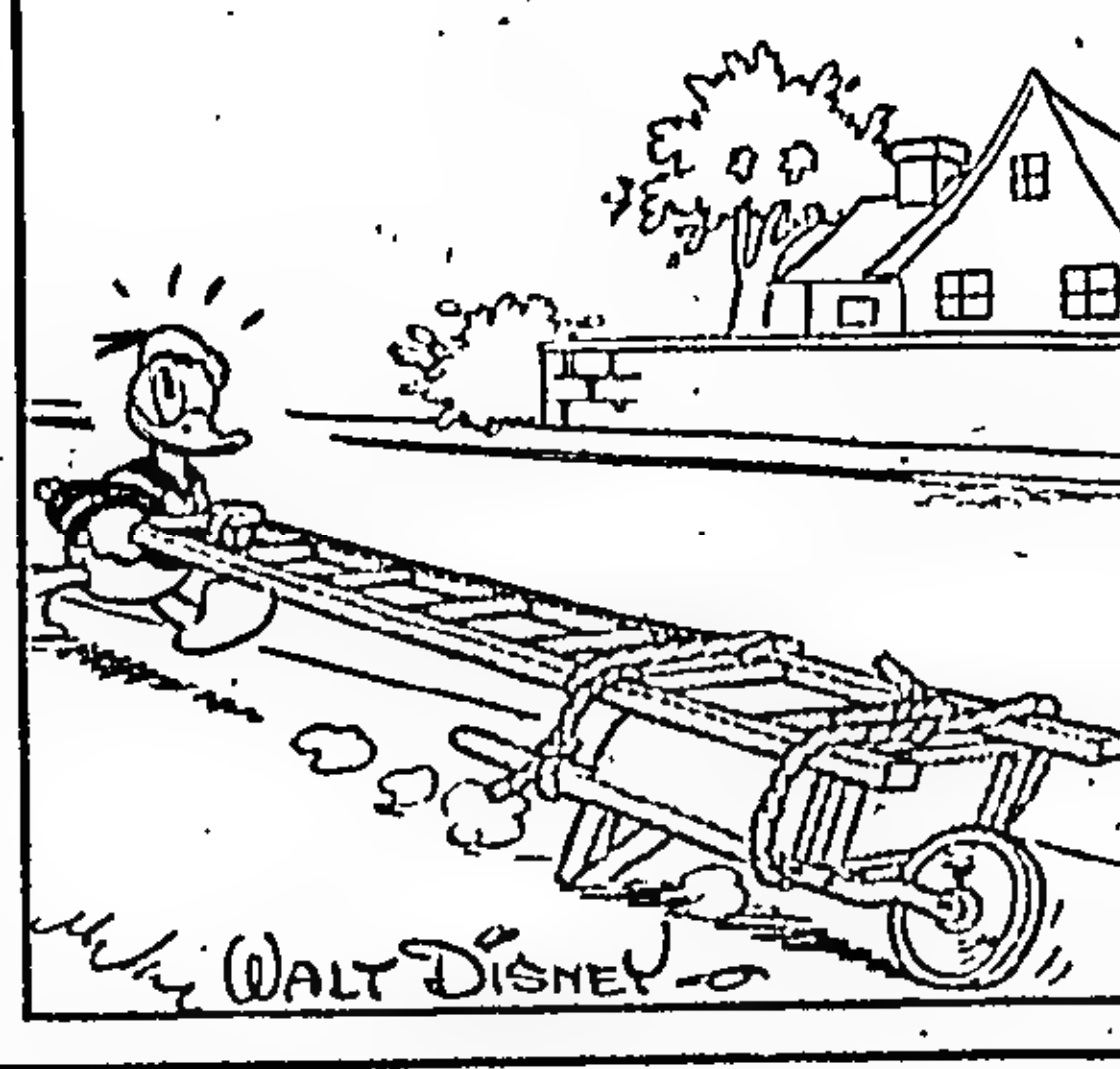
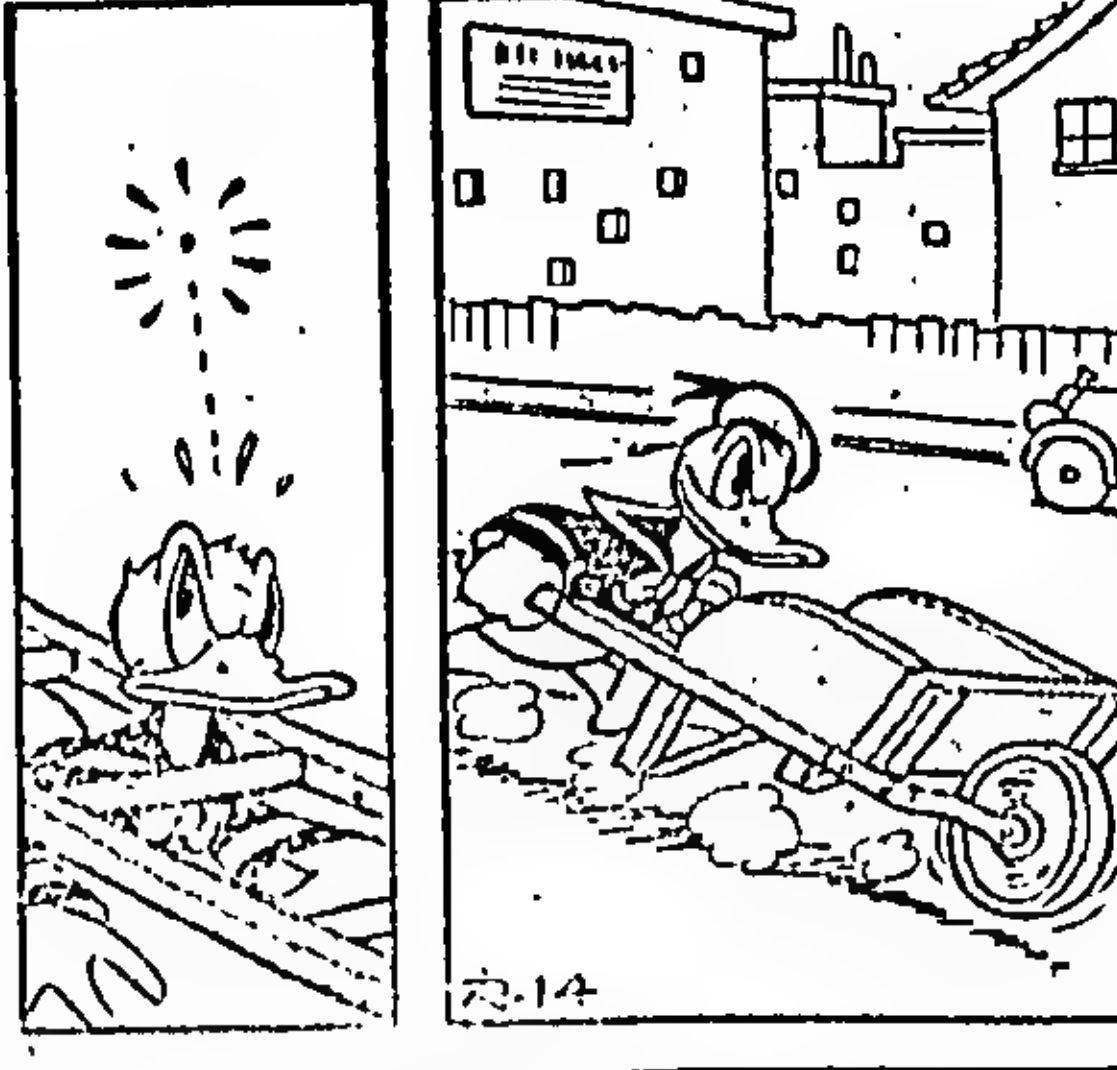
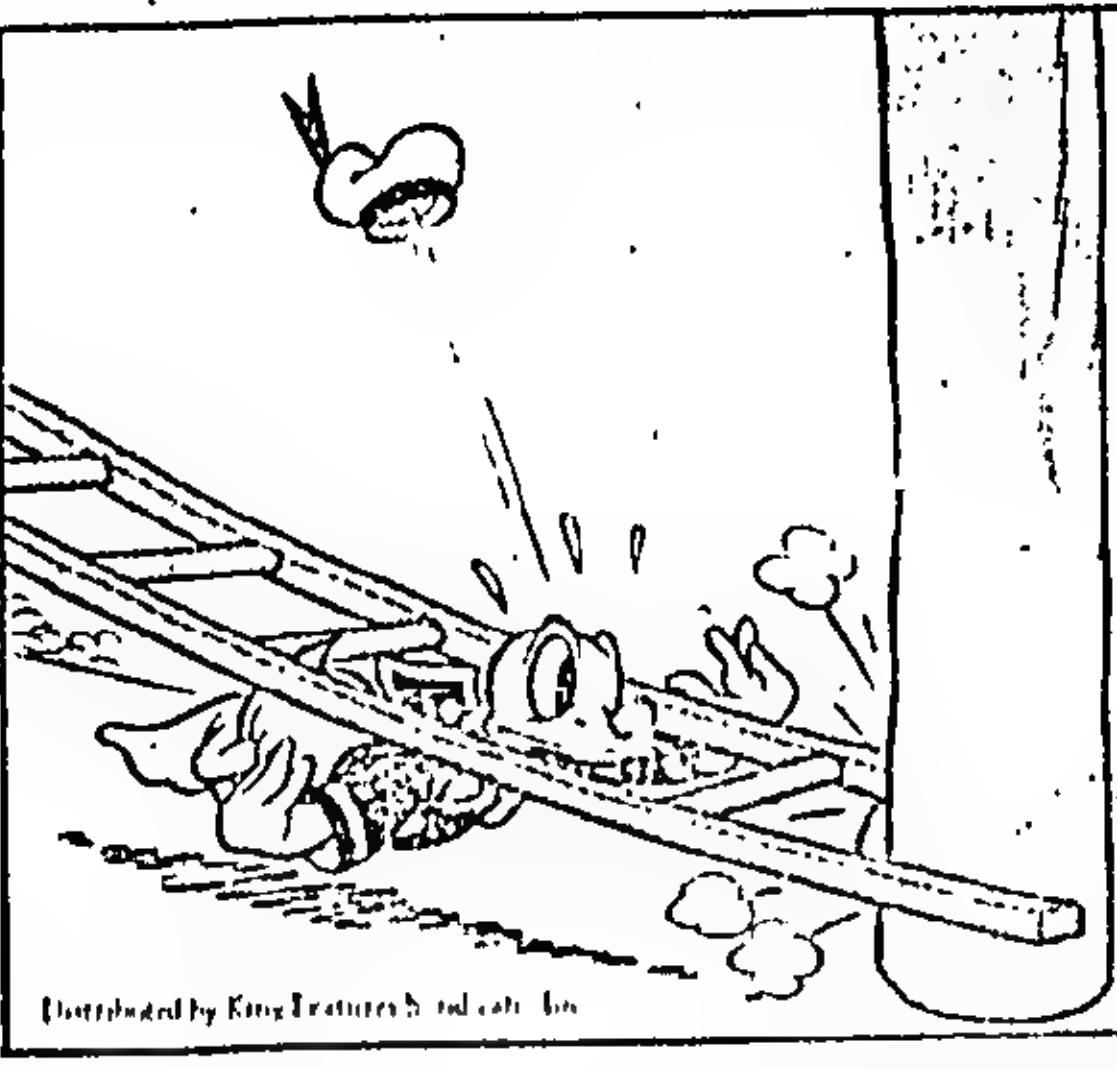
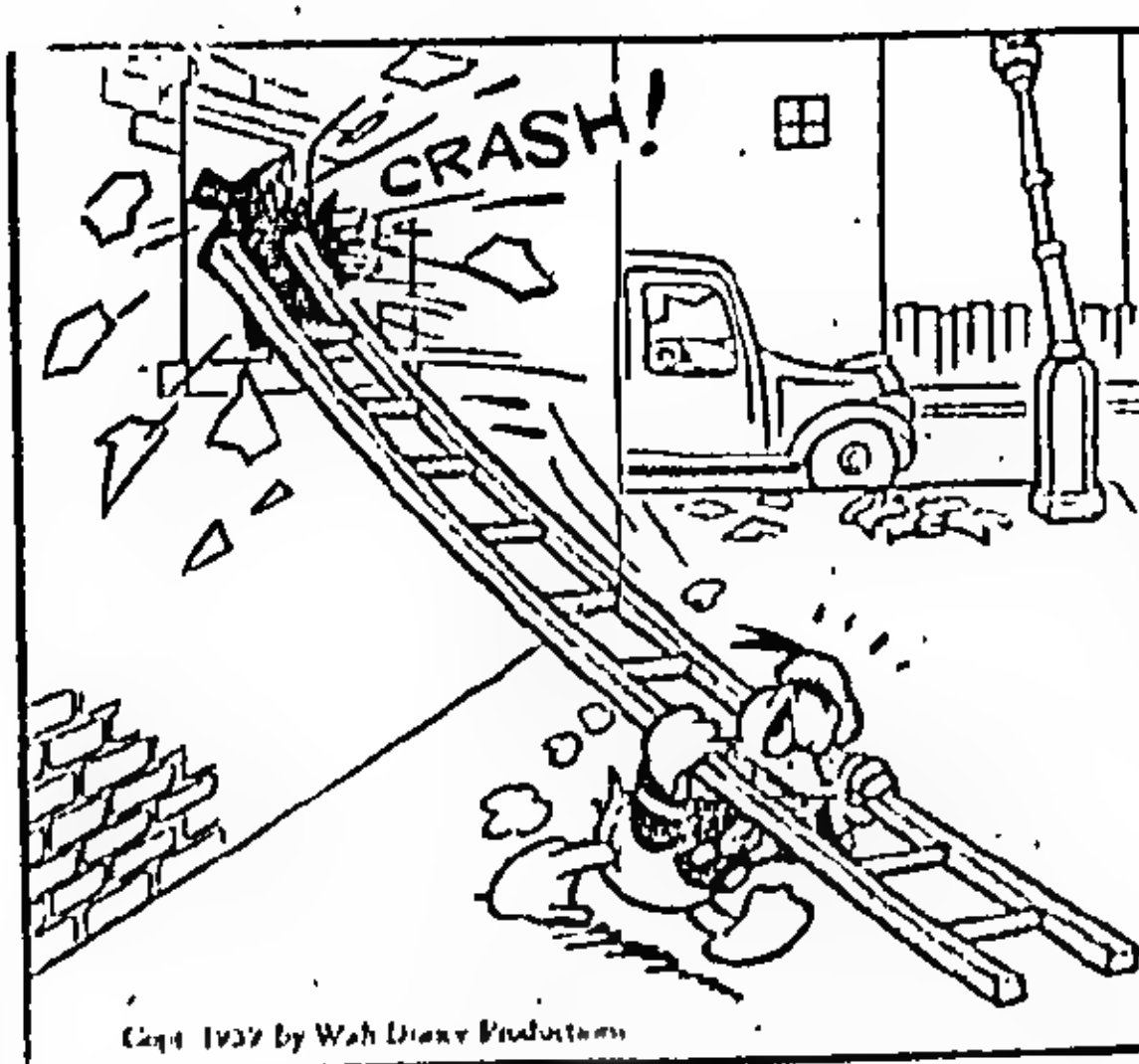
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BRITISH HOSPITAL Japanese Warplanes Active In C. China

HEAVY AIR RAIDS were carried out by Japanese warplanes on Central China yesterday.

Among the victims of two big raids which demolished Pingliang, a city in northern Hunan, was a British missionary.

"Central News" reports that several direct hits were made on the hospital of the mission, which was liberally marked with the Union Jack.

The missionary was the superintendent of the hospital.

The last raid on the city was made by eighteen Japanese machines, which dropped over a hundred bombs.

Approximately forty people, in addition to the British missionary, were killed. A mission school was one of the large number of buildings leveled during the outrage.

TWO RAIDS ON SIAM

Two successive raids were made on Siam, capital of Siam province. Four squadrons of military aircraft participated in the first raid on the city, between sixty and seventy bombs being dropped. In addition, the Japanese report claims that the Siam aerodrome was the objective of the raids, and adds that two hangars and the military barracks were "completely destroyed."

In the second raid, which was made shortly afterwards, five squadrons bombed the railway station, terminals of the Bangkok Railway, and various establishments in the vicinity.

Other raids were made on Pingliang, described by the Japanese as a "key-point" on the so-called Ito Route in eastern Kansu. The Japanese claim that the aerodrome was the chief objective. Chinese reports state that 20 planes participated in this raid, dropping between 50 and 60 bombs.

To Compete In Cotton Market

Washington, Mar. 15.

Mr. Henry A. Wallace told the Cotton Standards Conference today that the United States will soon enter the world market in cotton on a competitive basis, but he declined to say whether the plans, now under consideration involved a direct export subsidy, adding that a specific plan is up to Congress.

Meanwhile it is reported that President Roosevelt has signed the Jones Bill permitting the re-allocation of unused cotton acreage and allotments.

Ship's Officer Victimised

Mr. A. Gray, chief engineer of the steamer Ashridge, was robbed of \$370 by somebody who entered his cabin on board the ship, which was lying alongside the Hongkong Electric Company wharf, North Point, yesterday.

A student, Li Yat-nam, of 5 Arbuthnot Road, has reported that money, fountain pens, and clothing to the total value of \$400 were stolen from his home early yesterday morning.

Chartered Bank Dividend

The local office of the Chartered Bank of India, Australia, and China announces receipt of a telegram from London, stating that on March 20, when the annual meeting of the shareholders of the Bank will be held in London, the Directors will recommend the payment of a final dividend of the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, subject to income tax, that £35,000 be added to the Pension Fund, and that the sum of £170,004.5-2d be carried forward.

MISSION BOMBED

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STOCK EXCHANGE REACTS SHARPLY TO CZECH CRISIS

LONDON, Mar. 15.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S statement in the House of Commons regarding the British attitude to the Czech crisis was timed to begin at the close of the markets.

Slovakia Now Vassal State

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to terminate immediately all military operations in the country.

The Hungarian Foreign Minister, Count Csaky, replied that the Ruthenian delegation would be received with traditional Hungarian hospitality, but that it was impossible to interrupt military operations because they had already advanced to a stage at various points.

Count Csaky also expressed the hope that Premier Vojsevic would exert all his influence to prevent unnecessary bloodshed in Ruthenia.

SLOVAKS FIGHT INVADERS

Bratislava, Mar. 15.

Severe clashes between Hungarian troops and Slovaks are reported to have occurred this afternoon in Meltsenfeld.

Casualties are said to be two killed and two wounded, while the Hungarians captured six Slovak prisoners.

The Hungarians were advancing in the direction of Czechoslovakia, while the Slovaks are in complete control of central Slovakia, while the German local defence organisations are maintaining order in the German districts.—*Reuter.*

SLOVAKS CONGRATULATED

Warsaw, Mar. 15.

The Polish Government has telegraphed congratulations to the Slovak Government on taking the destiny of the nation into its own hands.

It is officially emphasised that Poland has no territorial claims on Ruthenia.

The Polish Government does not contemplate sending a reply to the note from M. Vojsevic announcing the independence of Ruthenia.

Hungarian troops, advancing across Ruthenia, have not yet reached the Polish border, where Polish troops concentrated along the Carpathians to meet them.—*Reuter Special.*

GERMANS IN SLOVAKIA

Reports that German troops have marched into Slovakia are now confirmed. Troops advancing into Moravia and Bohemia encountered heavy resistance which reduced visibility to ten yards, and greatly hampered the motorised units.—*Reuter and United Press messages.*

GERMANY AGREES

According to a Berlin report, a source close to the Government declares that no demarche has been made by Germany to Budapest demanding the withdrawal of Hungarian troops from Ruthenia.

It is added that no such demarche is contemplated.

The Vienna agreement was a "thing of the past," and it is a safe bet that Hungary would not have marched into Ruthenia if Germany had objected.—*United Press.*

SLOVAKIA BECOMES GERMAN VASSAL

Pressburg, Mar. 15.

The special Trans-Ocean Correspondent, Herr Wolf Meyer-Christian, was informed by high Government officials that a law regulating the future relations between Germany

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The Japanese were crushingly defeated, fleeing in the direction of Tientsin in confusion.

More than 70 Japanese are reported to have been captured alive, in addition to a quantity of ammunition.

On the same day, several villages near Luanhsien and Tawuchien, north of Lishui, were also recaptured by the Chinese.

At Limingpo, just inside the Great Wall north of Shenchih, the Chinese administered a heavy blow to the Japanese on March 12. They staged a surprise night raid on the enemy, killing a number of them, and regained control of the town.—*Central News.*

Tunis Invasion By Italians Denied

PARIS, Mar. 15.

THE Resident-General of Tunisia has officially denied the Berlin rumour of Italian penetration into Tunisia.

He says that there is no trouble on the frontier.

Rome also denied the Berlin reports.—*United Press.*

Sun Fo's Message To Stalin

CHUNGKING, Mar. 16.

MR. SUN FO, President of the Legislative Yuan and chairman of the Sino-Soviet Cultural Association, has despatched a telegram to M. Stalin congratulating him on the 18th Congress of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.

The telegram expressed gratification of M. Stalin's recent speech at the Congress, in which he declared that the assistance to countries fighting against aggression formed the foreign policy of Soviet Russia.

The despatch predicted the further consolidation of Sino-Soviet friendship.—*Central News.*

Palestine Proposals Presented

London, Mar. 15.

The final Palestine proposals of the British Government were adopted by the Cabinet this morning, and submitted to the Arab delegates by the British delegates at St. James' Palace this afternoon.

The leader of the Palestinian Arabs asked for time to consider the proposals, and the meeting was adjourned until Friday afternoon.

It is understood that the proposals largely follow on the lines of the suggestions already submitted to the delegations by the British Government.

The British delegates met the Jewish delegates at 9 p.m., and the meeting ended half an hour later.—*Reuter.*

Admiral Leahy To Retire

Washington, Mar. 16.

Rear-Admiral Harold Stark has been appointed to succeed Admiral William Leahy as Chief of Naval Operations.

Admiral Leahy is retiring on May 1.

Rear-Admiral Stark is at present Chief of the Ordnance.

The appointment of Rear-Admiral Hart to succeed Admiral Yarnell, Commander of the U.S. Asiatic Fleet is also announced.—*Reuter.*

Subject to audit the Directors of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd. will recommend the payment of a Final Dividend of fifteen shillings per share in respect of the year 1938. The Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Society will be held on April 21.

N. Shansi Offensive Succeeds

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FIGHTING ON POYANG LAKE

Fowling, Mar. 16.

Heavy fighting is developing around Tsuchung, an important town on the north bank of the Poyang Lake is north Kiangsi.

Two Japanese units, one landing at a point five kilometres north of Tsuchung, and another landing south of the Little South Gate, have been repulsed.

Fighting is also proceeding at Tsuchung, three kilometres west of Tsuchung, where Japanese troops from two warships and ten steam launches are reported to have landed.

Manhsien and Pingfengshan, 23 kilometres north-west of Tsuchung, have both been lost to the Japanese. The Japanese are said to have also landed at Lowsseshan.—*Central News.*

JAPANESE ATTEMPT TO CROSS RIVER

Loyang, Mar. 16.

A fresh attempt to cross the Yellow River to sever the Lunghai Railway in northern Honan is being made by the Japanese forces on the north bank of the stream.

They succeeded on Tuesday in capturing Wenhsien, on the north bank of the river, which had changed hands several times in the past.

After their occupation of Wenhsien, the Japanese started a terrific artillery bombardment of Chishui and the railway station there on the south bank of the river, firing over 100 rounds.

A heavy Japanese force is massed at Tsiyang, prearranging an imminent fresh drive towards Monghsien, another war-torn town on the north bank of the river west of Wenhsien.—*Central News.*

EFFECT ON BRITAIN

(Continued from Page 1.)

It is thought in some quarters that the two Czech provinces may prove rather a tough meal, but it must be remembered that German digestion has shown itself to be remarkably sound.

It is not known whether Germany fully approves of Hungary's seizure of Ruthenia, but perhaps the Reich does not attach great importance to it as Hungary, by herself, could not offer much resistance to Germany's pressure in the East.

POLES DISTURBED

Poland and Italy profess satisfaction at Hungary's action, but it is disturbed over the position of Slovakia.

Diplomats are asking in which direction will come the next move, by Germany in Eastern Europe, or by Italy in the Mediterranean?

The general view is that Germany will be too absorbed in her recent acquisitions to promise Mussolini 100 per cent. support for the Italian claims.

However, it would be unwise to found strong hopes on such a light foundation.—*Reuter.*

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7.20 F. Weissmann and Berlin State Opera Orchestra.

Le Prophete—Coronation March (Meyerbeer).

7.25 London Relay—"Unborn Tomorrow."

A short play for broadcasting by J. Alex Pemberton. Produced by Anthony McDonald. The scene is set in the interior of a pleasant wood on a hot summer's day.

7.55 Rehearsal—"Donna Diana."

Overture.

Dresden State Opera Orchestra conducted by Karl Bohm.

8.0 Time, Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Studio—A talk on "The Work of the Y.V.C.A."

8.13 Lizi—Hungarian Fantasia For Piano And Orchestra.

Jacques Dupont (Piano) and the Orchestre Symphonique (of Paris) conducted by F. Ruhlmann.

8.30 Studio—Concert by Raymond Tydesley (Violin) and Gilbert Mullen (Piano).

(a) Estrallita (Manuel Ponce); (b) Deutscher Tanz (Mozart); (c) Raymond Tydesley (Violin) accompaniment by Gilbert Mullen at the Piano; (d) Piano Medley; Intro: Two Get A Pocket Full of Dreams; Dinnah; Blue Meditation from 'Thais' (Massenet); (e) Adieu (Friml); (f) Raymond Tydesley (Violin) accompaniment by Gilbert Mullen at the Piano.

9.0 Magyar Imre and His Hungarian Gypsy Orchestra.

(a) Fanny (Freyer); O Sole Mio (D. Capua); Cockchafer, Yellow Cockchafer; Bihari's Lament (Bihari); Once I Had A Dear Mother; The Sun Is In Love With The Moon.

9.15 London Relay—"World Affairs."

A talk by H. Wickham Steed.

9.30 London Relay—The News.

9.50 A Request Variety and Dance Programme.

Orch.—Du Und Du—Waltz ("Die Fledermaus"—J. Strauss) ... Mark Weber and His Orchestra; Vocal—Thousand and One Nights Waltz (Strauss) ... Miliza Korjus (Soprano) and Berlin State Opera Orchestra; Orch.—Thunder And Lightning—Polka, Op. 324 (J. Strauss) ... Boston Promenade Orchestra conducted by Arthur Fiedler; Vocal—In Violon Dans La Nuit (from revue "Parade Du Monde") ... Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra; Orch.—Fraserquita Serenade (Lehar) ... Albert Sandler and His Orchestra; Vocal—Ay, Ay, Ay (Perez and Freire) ... Luigi Fort (Tenor) with Orchestra; Dance Orch.—Star Dust—Fox-Trot ... Coleman Hawkins

with Django Reinhardt (Guitar) and Stephanie Grappelly (Piano); Vocal—It's Raining Sunbeams (film "100 men and a girl") ... Deanna Durbin with Orchestra; Dance Orch.—My Own—Fox-Trot (film "That Certain Age"); You're As Pretty As A Picture—Fox-Trot (film "That Certain Age") ... Henry King and His Orchestra; Vocal—Alexander's Ragtime Band (Berlin) Dinnah (Lewis-Young-Alan) ... The Boswell Sisters with Orch. and Guitar accompaniment; Dance Orch.—A Melody From The Sky—Fox-Trot (film "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine") ... Maurice Winnick and His Orchestra; Vocal—Change Partners (film "Cardroom") ... Fred Astaire with Ray Noble and His Orchestra; Dance Orch.—Somebody Stole My Gal—Quickstep; Ain't She Sweet?—Fox-Trot ... Brian Lawrence and His Quartet; Vocal—No Regrets (Robins, Ingraham) ... Frances Faye with Dinnah, Guitar and Bass Accompaniment; Dance Orch.—Ariadne To Dream—Fox-Trot (film "You Can't Have Everything") ... Benny Goodman and His Orchestra.

11.0 Close down.

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DEBATE IN COMMONS

largely imaginary, and is evidence adduced to justify illegitimate action after the event. Even if they were real they could not justify the action.

"The hopes which some have been able to repose on October in the results of the Munich Agreement have been falsified and no one now can doubt that there will be only a brief respite before further demands are made and another victim is arraigned which would, like its predecessors, be confronted with the alternative of resistance or surrender."

"I would like to ask if there is any member of this House who now believes, after these events, that we shall have more than another brief respite, perhaps briefer than the last, before further demands were made, another victim arraigned and another victim found again, with the alternative of resistance or surrender."

"What we see in the world to-day is a rapid deterioration of international authority."

UNIVERSAL TRAGEDY

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"I urge the formation of a Government of all parties, because I am convinced that no greater contribution can be made than the knowledge that, as a result of these events, the greatest democracy in Europe has decided to make a national effort unparalleled in its history."

"Such a Government of all parties will have to examine, the new military and strategic position, and consult with all like-minded nations, wherever they are and whatever they be, on what their common policy should be—where they should make their stand and how they should give effect to their decision."

"Then we must examine the military and strategic position of Europe, and consult with all nations like-minded with us, wherever, or whoever they may be."

"With regard to what our policy should be, we should make our stand, and having determined that immediately make with them military plans to give effect to our decision."

Speaking with great emphasis, Mr. Eden said: "There are times when a great nation has to take great decisions. I believe that such a time be now, and I further believe that only thus shall we banish from our people the haunting fear that shadows our own time."—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

The "Oliver Twist" Of Local Courts

32 Year-Old Man's 17th Conviction

THE OLIVER TWIST of Hongkong police courts is a 32-year-old unemployed Chinese named Lau Tak, who this morning made his 17th appearance before a local Magistrate.

After Mr. R. A. D. Forrest had found him guilty of stealing a suit of cotton-clothing from the servants' quarters of the Hongkong Football Club at Happy Valley, the prosecuting officer revealed that the man had 16 previous convictions against his name.

It was further shown that when he committed his latest theft he was still under police supervision resulting from a previous offence.

Lau was sentenced to six months' hard labour, and placed for a further two years under police supervision.

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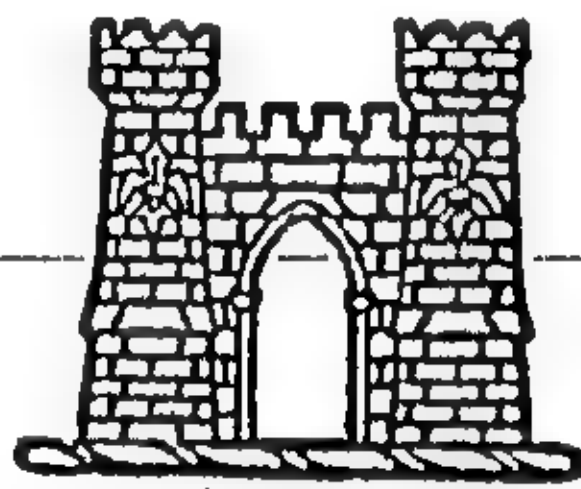
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DEATH

SOUSA—At the St. Paul's Hospital, early this morning, Genoveva Isabel de Xaxier e Souza, at the age of 53 years, the funeral will pass the monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day.

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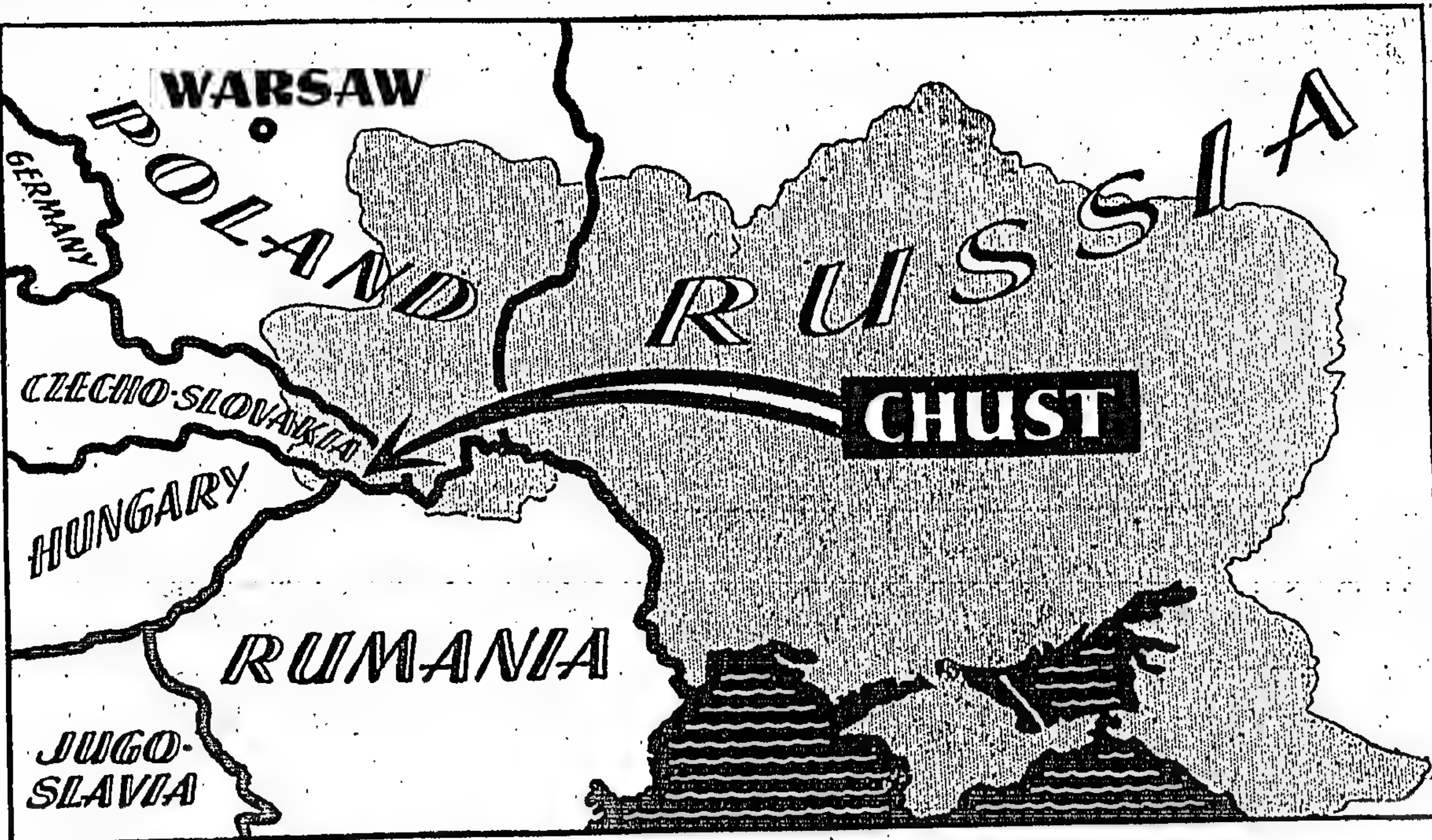
THE FULL RESULTS of what happened at Munich are now manifest. They confirm fears expressed at the time. Czechoslovakia is now what Hitler set out to make it—part of the Greater Reich.

The unfortunate Republic, born of the Great War, may be likened to a human corpse. The arms were amputated in September, the head is now severed and becomes a German trophy; Hungary takes the Ruthenian legs. There remains but the torso of Slovakia, which becomes, in all but name, a vassal State of Germany.

In accepting the "advice" of Great Britain and France in September last, Czechoslovakia sealed her fate. True, there would have been war—a war on a terrifying scale into which the whole of Europe would have been dragged—but Czechoslovakia, in the light of subsequent events, could hardly have been the loser. Like Belgium in 1914 she would have paid dearly in the blood of her patriots, but she would have gained honour and freedom for her children. Out of Belgium's sorrow and torment of the four years of Great War emerged a country free and unshackled, honoured by the democracies of the world for the part she played in defending Right against Might and, indeed, defended by those democracies for her steadfast resolution to uphold her integrity.

The events of the past six months have been planned and consummated by Germany with almost diabolical ease. There is no doubt but that war would have come to Europe had Herr Hitler attempted to fulfil his territorial ambitions in Czechoslovakia in one fell swoop. There was firstly the Godesburg Agreement, announced as the extreme limit of concession to which Mr. Chamberlain and M. Daladier were prepared to accede. Czechoslovakia was told to accept these demands or forfeit the support and friendship of her guarantors. But Godesburg was followed by Munich, which exceeded Hitler's original demands. Mr. Chamberlain and M. Daladier acquiesced in the extra grab. Yesterday's events were a natural sequel predicted to the very date by newspaper "correspondents" who, only two days ago, were chided by Lord Halifax for spreading "sensational and inaccurate forecasts of events about to take place in Europe."

You cannot read the news about Czechoslovakia without feeling that dirty taste in your mouth.



Village all Europe is watching

UNTIL a few months ago Chust was just a mountain village. Now it is Europe's newest capital, and its handful of broken-down victorias—there are no such things as taxis—are working overtime carrying all sorts of imposing personages through the muddy streets.

The streets are so muddy that on rainy days cabs and carts often get stuck altogether, and people walking find themselves ankle-deep in the mud. Most of the days seem rainy.

There are only two inns in the village. They are full to overflowing.

The Government building is just the old urban district council offices. It has three storeys and is the highest building in the village. It is even built of stone.

Of the newcomers to the village, two stand out. They are the Consul-general of Germany and Italy, sent there when, after Munich, Chust became the capital of the new autonomous province of Carpatho-Ukraine. You used to know it as Ruthenia.

Other people followed these two to Chust. A connoisseur of European underground politics would have recognised them easily. They were all experts in espionage, civil war, gang warfare, intrigue and bribery.

The 20,000 inhabitants of Chust slowly woke up to their new importance. To begin with, they got a new aerodrome and the villagers looked with surprise at the big shiny German Junker planes that began to cruise overhead.

What made Hitler insist on refusing to divide Carpatho-Ukraine, with its little capital at Chust, between Hungary and Poland? Why is Chust so full of ambassadors and secret agents?

Anti-Russia Moves

The answer to these questions takes us back to the days when the Tsar ruled in Russia and when deep underground—men were fighting for the independence of the Ukraine.

The Tsar would have none of such men. He sent the leaders off to prison-camps in Siberia when he caught them. Those who escaped him fled abroad, and settled in fringes of Ukrainian territory which belonged to the Austrian Empire.

There they set up a "Ukrainian Information Office" and carried on anti-Russian activities.

When the Tsar collapsed and the Bolsheviks came to power, these Ukrainian "separatists" thought that their moment had come.

They formed an "Association for the Liberation of the Ukraine and the Destruction of Russia," moved into Russo-Ukrainian territory, elected a Central Committee in Kiev and proclaimed the independence of the Ukraine.

Petljura The Terrible

They had the support of many reactionary, anti-Bolshevik elements. Naturally the Soviets did not want to lose the rich wheatfields of the Ukraine. They fought back, but were repulsed by invading German and Austrian troops, who protected the independent Ukraine and supported the first "Ukrainian" leader, Skoropadsky, a Cossack general.

But then came the defeat of Germany and Austria in the Great War. Skoropadsky had to make way for a new Hetman more friendly with the Entente Powers. The new Hetman was Petljura the Terrible.

Petljura started off in a big way. In a proclamation he announced the union of the Russian Ukraine with the "Western Ukrainians" who had been part of the Austrian Empire. His proclamation included in the new Ukrainian State part of Galicia, Bukovina, Bessarabia and Carpatho-Russia.

The memory of Petljura's rule is still horrible in the Ukraine.

As a persecutor of the Jews he dwarfed Hitler and Julius Streicher. As the head of his Cossacks he harassed the Jewish villages of the Ukraine, urging his troops to ever greater excesses.

Later, Petljura paid for his crimes. Long after his dreams of a Great Ukraine had evaporated in the air, he lived in Paris, an exile. There, in 1926, he was seen in the street, shot and killed by a Polish-Jewish poet named Shalom Schwartzbard.

Schwartzbard was a remarkable fellow. Originally a watchmaker, he left his native town of Smolensk in Poland as a young man and went to France. He fought in the French Army during the War.

But in 1917 he left France and went to join the Bolshevik armies in Russia.

There the horror of Petljura's pogroms ate into his heart. When he was put on trial in Paris for murdering the oppressor he explained simply to the jury: "Twelve of my near blood-relatives were killed by this man's orders."

Schwartzbard was acquitted, and Petljura denounced. All France said, "Not the murderer but the victim was guilty."

Schwartzbard died in Cape Town last March.

That was how Petljura came to an end. But his idea of an independent Ukraine came to an end long before. There was no real desire for independence among the Ukrainians.

The Soviets were able to reconquer the old Russian province of Ukraine. The peace treaties gave Western Ukraine to the new Polish State. Bessarabia and Bukovina went to Rumania; and Carpatho-Russia, formerly a part of Hungary, went to Czechoslovakia.

So five countries got their share of Petljura's Ukrainian dream State: Russia, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Rumania and Hungary.

Everything might have settled down if the Ukraine had not become one of the chief objects of Hitler's expansionist plans.

Hitler backs the idea of an independent Ukrainian State, because in that way he would deprive Russia of her richest territory, and divide up Poland and subjugated Czechoslovakia.

He is using old and approved Nazi methods to achieve this end. He found there were still a few Ukrainians dreaming of their own State. It was not difficult to organise them into an efficient body.

Hitler's Real Object

An office was created, this time in Danzig, called the "Central Committee for the Establishment of an Independent Ukraine." A former Ukrainian Tsarist general, Ziellinski, is in charge of this office.

From the Danzig headquarters the Central Committee began to stir up Ukrainian Nationalist feeling in Poland. Ukrainian stormtroops were formed on the lines of the old illegal Austrian S.A.

A complete military and political organisation was built up. Officers and men were given uniforms. These resemble the German stormtroop uniforms, but are grey-blue in colour instead of brown. The Ukrainian stormtroops are called Siczy Guards (Sharpshooters).

For years Ziellinski has carried on his work, building up this organisation. At first he worked in secret, because Germany and Poland were supposed to be on good terms with one another.

Now he has come out in the open with his men. They were put to official use for the first time after the Munich agreement: in Carpatho-Ukraine Siczy Guards do police duty to-day.

Now you see why Hitler insisted on an autonomous Ukrainian State. Chust was to be the spring-board of future Ukrainian developments. Ziellinski moved his Central Committee to Chust. Supported and financed from Germany, he was the man chosen to lead the pan-Ukrainian movement.

He takes his order from Hitler. And Hitler, following his old practice, appointed a Commissioner for the Ukraine with headquarters in Berlin. He is Nikola Sushko, a former officer in Petljura's army.

What is the point of the Berlin Bureau? and of the Central Committee in Chust? What does Hitler want them to do?

Terrorist bands were organised and armed. These bands are raiding Polish and Russian territory.

Already several battles have taken place. The flags carried by the bands are blue and gold, like the ones that fly above Ziellinski's office.

Emissaries of Ziellinski stir up trouble in the Ukrainian parts of Poland goading on the people to demand autonomy for the Polish Ukraine.

The Polish authorities are fighting the terrorists, but the story of Austria and the Sudetenland, and later Czechoslovakia, shows how difficult it is to stamp out such movements. The Siczy Guards stick to the tactics used by the illegal stormtroops in all the countries where Hitler has planted them.

But Hungary remembered that what is now Carpatho-Ukraine was once part of Hungary. That is why Hungarian troops are now marching across the country. And Hungarians know how to conduct underground fighting just as well as the Germans.

War Of The Brigands

There is close friendship between Hungary and Germany just now. So the fight was waged out of sight illegally, both parties supporting and financing their brigands and agents on the quiet.

Hungary has had her agents in Carpatho-Ukraine for some time. Some years ago I met one of the most distinguished Czech journalists in Vienna. He was introduced to me as the Editor of a Ruthenian paper, "Ruska Pravda."

He came to Vienna frequently, and later I learned that he was the principal fighter for Ukrainian independence, highly esteemed by his fellow Ukrainians scattered in various countries.

He had done much to strengthen Ukrainian feeling in Czechoslovakia, in Poland and in Russia. If the dream of an independent Ukrainian State had come true, he would have been its first Premier. His name was Alexandre Brody.

I met him again later, and one day walked with him through the streets of Vienna, accompanying him to the Bankgasse. Suddenly he said goodbye and went on alone. I saw him enter the building of the Hungarian Legation.

Not until recently, I must confess, did I realise that Brody's Hungarian relations had a deep importance.

After the Munich agreement, when Ruthenia was declared an autonomous State within the new Czechoslovakia, the first Premier of this "Carpatho-Ukraine" was—Alexandre Brody.

Brody went to Prague to confer with the Czech Premier, Srvov. He made surprising demands: a plebiscite must be held in Carpatho-Ukraine, so that the population could decide its own fate. There was no doubt that such a plebiscite would result in a vote—not for Czechoslovakia, but for Hungary.

Srvov jumped to his feet angrily. Brody, he shouted, was a traitor to the new Czechoslovakia. "Get out the new Czechoslovakia!" (Continued on Page 11.)

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"The first dress I try on you like and want me to buy—Well, you certainly don't know much about shopping, Wilbur!"

BRITAIN'S DEFENCE

Air Force Strength Deters Aggression

LONDON, Mar. 15. NATIONAL DEFENCE was the subject of an important speech by Lord Chatfield in the House of Lords to-day in his reply to the debate on this question.

He emphasised Mr. Chamberlain's recent declaration that our policy of defence did not mean that we did not intend to have both the will and the means to strike back if we were attacked.

There was a time when the problem of dealing with the bomber was regarded with something like despair; such a feeling was no longer justified, if ever it was.

Developments in recent years had undoubtedly reduced the old supremacy of the offensive over the defensive in air warfare, and he assured the House that none of the components of air defence was being neglected.

The strength of the fighting force was being extremely augmented, counter-offensive force had also been the subject of equally careful scrutiny, and measures to strengthen it were also actively in hand.

BEST IN WORLD

The latest types of bombers now being delivered to the air force were believed to be the best in the world. "The Government is determined to build up counter-offensive forces of such a strength as they may, in conjunction with the fighter aircraft and batteries, deter an aggressor from attacking us at all, or if it should unhappily fail to do this, will give us all the necessary means for attack as well as defence."

JACK TARS OF AIR

Lord Chatfield added: "I am convinced that just as we have been able over many centuries to rely confidently on our sailors to seek out and destroy the fleet of the enemy, so we shall be able in the future, with our airmen supported on the land by our soldiers, to defend similarly these islands from the air fleets of an aggressor."—*Reuter*.

ANGLO-FRENCH CO-OPERATION

Replies to questions, Mr. Geoffrey Shakespeare, Parliamentary Secretary to the Admiralty, declared in the House of Commons to-day, that if Britain and France found themselves allied in any future war, it was contemplated that naval co-operation would be complete.

Conversations had already begun between the respective naval staffs, and were being continued.—*Reuter*.

Air Services To Orient Night Flying To Aid Speed-Up

LONDON, Mar. 15. QUESTIONED in the House of Commons by Mr. H. Day regarding the differences in the timings of Imperial Airways and K.L.M., between London and Singapore, Captain H. H. Balfour, Under-Secretary of State for Air, stated that it was intended to speed-up the Empire services time-table progressively by the extension of night flying, and the provision of aircraft.

Production orders had already been placed. Asked if any new machines had been constructed, Captain Balfour replied there were 14 new civil types of aircraft being constructed by Fairys, and probably, when completed in 1941 or 1942, would be used on this and other routes.—*Reuter*.

U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York Cotton			
	New York, Mar. 15.	Opening	Closing
March	8.75/74	8.74/74	
May	8.35/35	8.33/34	
July	8.14/14	8.13/13	
Oct.	7.75/74	7.70/70	
Dec.	7.60/60	7.57/57	
Jan.	7.60/60	7.57/57	
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The last Notice day for March Cotton is March 17th.			
New York Rubber			
March	10.44b/50a	10.31/32	
May	10.43/43	10.26b/32a	
Sept.	10.40b/45a	10.29/29	
To-day's Sales: 1,020 tons.			
The last Notice day for March Rubber is March 20th.			
Chicago Wheat			
May	0.74/074	0.74/074	
July	0.74/074	0.74/074	
Sept.	0.74/074	0.74/074	
Tuesday's Sales: 6,070,000 bushels.			
Chicago Corn			
May	47 1/4/48	47 1/4/47 1/4	
July	47 1/4/48	47 1/4/47 1/4	
Sept.	50 1/4/50 1/4	50 1/4/50 1/4	
Winnipeg Wheat			
May	60 1/2/60 1/2	60 1/2/60 1/2	
July	60 1/2/60 1/2	60 1/2/60 1/2	
Oct.	61 1/4/61 1/4	61 1/4/61 1/4	

SWASTIKA AS NATIONAL EMBLEM OF THE CZECHS

BOHEMIA AND MORAVIA, THE TWO CZECH STATES WHICH HAVE BEEN SEIZED BY GERMAN TROOPS, WILL BE INCORPORATED IN ALL OFFICIAL GERMAN MAPS AS PART OF THE GREATER REICH.

The swastika will be the official flag of the new German province, which will be known as Czechia.

The Czech Army will be disbanded and German troops will continue in occupation of the entire area.

SKODA FACTORY FOR REICH

Included in the German gains are the vast Skoda armaments factories.

The area of the two new German provinces is 30,426 square miles, which is more than half of the pre-September acreage of the entire Czech-Slovak Republic (54,207 square miles).

Slovakia, which will retain an unarmed independence as a semi-German state, has an area of 18,895 square miles and a population of 3,254,000. It is all that will remain on the maps of Europe to show where once stood the proud Central European Republic.

HITLER'S TRIUMPHANT ENTRY

PRAGUE, Mar. 15.

HERR ADOLF HITLER made a triumphal entry into Prague at 7.45 p.m. this evening, in a snowstorm.

It is expected that a triumphal parade will be held to-morrow.

The Fuehrer took up official residence at the old castle of Prague, when his flag was hoisted over the castle tower by the castle guard, composed of a German Fascist regiment.

It is reported that Herr Hitler has commissioned General von Brauschitch to exercise executive power in Bohemia and Moravia.

An earlier Berlin message says that Herr Hitler arrived at Boemischlepa on Bohemian territory this afternoon en route to Prague, accompanied by Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop, General Keitel, General von Stieffnagel, the Quartermaster-General of the Army, Herr Himmler, and many other high army officers and party officials.

Herr Konrad Henlein, former Sudeten leader, has been appointed civil administrator at the German army headquarters in Prague, while Herr Buerekel has been selected as head of the civil administration of Moravia at the German army headquarters in Prague.

Reports from Bratislava state that the Ruthenian storm-troopers disarmed a large section of the Czech military.

CABINET RESIGNS

Prague, Mar. 15. The Czech Cabinet has resigned, and General Gajda, the Fascist leader, has been made "Fuehrer of the Czech people."—*Reuter*.

WALL STREET NERVOUS

New York, Mar. 15. Nervousness over the Czech-Slovakian situation dominated dealings on the New York stock and share exchange to-day.

The break was the widest since January 20 when Czech bonds crashed both on the New York and London markets.

Wall Street's principal worry was concerned with the European political situation and also considerable disappointment was felt regarding domestic developments, especially over the Federal Reserve action which disappointed hopes of a margin reduction.—*United Press*.

ESTABLISHING RELATIONS

Prague, Mar. 15. A Czech committee for the establishment of friendly relations between the Czech nation and the German army was formed here to-day.

It consists of political and non-political groups. The political group is composed of adherents to the so-called "Volks" movement, in which are incorporated anti-democratic and anti-semitic aspirations of Czech youth, and which also comprise Czech fascists.

The non-political group is divided into agricultural and industrial sections. Its members include the former Minister, M. Necas, several Deputies of the Czech Agrarian Party, and Colonel Vilas as liaison officer of the Czech General Staff.

The Secretary of the committee is Dr. Sokol, who was formerly secretary of the Central Union of Czech Municipalities.—*Trans-Ocean*.

"TRUSTINGLY"

Berlin, Mar. 15. A communique issued at 7 o'clock to-day after the meeting with Herr Hitler stated that President Hacha had declared that in order to reach a final appeasement, he placed the fate of the Czech people trustfully in the hands of Herr Hitler.

The Fuehrer accepted this declaration and gave expression to his decision that he placed the Czech people under the protection of the Reich, and would guarantee it an autonomous development in its national life corresponding with its peculiarities.—*Reuter*.

GERMAN PROCLAMATION

Berlin, Mar. 15. A final decision regarding the future constitutional position of Bohemia and Moravia within the Reich has not yet been taken, it is claimed in well-informed quarters. The same position applies to the future rights and duties of the Czech population.

RICH FARMLANDS

Berlin, Mar. 15. Although, technically speaking, Bohemia and Moravia will probably retain to certain degree under a local administrative autonomy, for all

Burglars Climb Scaffolding

A daring burglary occurred in the office of the China Planting and Company in the S. C. M. Post building in the early hours of this morning.

Entry was obtained by breaking the glass window, the burglars climbing scaffolding which has been erected for the purpose of renovating the building.

A quantity of radio apparatus and machine tools was stolen. The culprits used two waste-paper baskets to carry away the loot. The value of the stolen property has not yet been ascertained.

practical purposes the historic homeland of the Czech people will henceforth be merely provinces of the Reich, which will receive an additional population of more than seven millions, together with rich farmlands from whence to obtain, without currency difficulties, its vitally needed agricultural produce.

Measures expected to be taken include:

- 1.—The incorporation of the Bohemian and Moravian financial and customs systems with the Reich.
- 2.—The provinces will be brought in the near future within the scope of General Goering's four year plan.
- 3.—Berlin to take over the Prague National Bank's full gold reserves.
- 4.—The Czech army to be disbanded and the Reich to assume the complete defence of Bohemia and Moravia.
- 5.—The Nuremberg Jew laws will probably be introduced in the new territory.—*United Press*.

TENSION AMONG NEIGHBOURS

Prague, Mar. 15. Herr Hitler and his army marched East to-day, erasing the last part of democratic Czech-Slovakia, while Hungary, Poland and Rumania fought to share the spoils.

Meanwhile, Rumania is reported to be mobilising her frontier reinforcements possibly to make a bid for a slice of Ruthenia.

There is general tension in Yugoslavia, and the authorities have decided to take military precautions on the northern frontier facing Hungary and Rumania.

Terror prevailed in Prague to-day among those who fear Nazi reprisals, especially the Jews. It is reported that many suicides have taken place.

The atmosphere was so hostile that the German forces imposed an 8 p.m. curfew and troops carried riot guns. In addition to their ordinary arms, it is reported that they mounted machine guns at strategic points to command the crowds.

It is noteworthy that it is the first time Hitler's soldiers have ever been booed publicly.—*United Press*.

THREE SHOTS FIRED!

Prague, Mar. 15. With the exception of three shots, the occupation of all large towns in the Provinces of Moravia and Bohemia was carried out with amazing speed and without incident.

The speed is all the more remarkable because of the heavy snow-falls and the unfavourable weather in general. With one exception no clashes between the German army and the Czech population or the Czech army, which is in the meantime being disarmed, took place.

The Czech garrison at Mistek erected barricades and refused to surrender. Three shots from a German gun were fired, and the Czechs signified their surrender by hoisting a white flag. The Czechs lost one dead and three wounded.—*Trans-Ocean*.

UNIQUE BROADCAST BY LADY NORTHCOTE

TO-NIGHT, for the first time in the history of our Colony, the First Lady of Hongkong will make a broadcast speech from Government House.

Lady Northcote has graciously consented to talk to radio listeners on the subject of the work of the Y.W.C.A. The broadcast will commence at 8.03 p.m.

Lady Northcote's speech, which will be given from her study in Government House, will be broadcast by ZBW.

Electrical wires arrived at Government House at 11.50 a.m. to wire and install the microphone for this evening's broadcast.

GERMANY ASKED TO EXPLAIN

Stresses 'Willingness' Of The Czechs

PARIS, Mar. 15.

A COMMUNICATION from the German Government regarding developments in Central Europe was received at the Quai d'Orsay early this afternoon.

It is believed that the communication particularly stressed the fact that entry of German troops into Bohemia and Moravia took place with the assent of the Prague Government.

The German Ambassador, Count Welzbeck is expected to visit the Foreign Office this afternoon.—*Trans-Ocean*.

PARIS IMPRESSED

PARIS, Mar. 15.

A request for information as to the exact meaning of Herr Hitler's proclamation with regard to the Czech State was made by the French Ambassador to Berlin this morning.

M. Georges Bonnet had telephone talks this morning with the Polish Ambassador and the French Ambassador in London.

This evening, M. Bonnet is receiving the German Ambassador, who will confirm the communication made this morning by which the German Government declared that its action in Czechoslovakia was taken in agreement with the Government in Prague.

The speed and gravity of the changes in Czechoslovakia has made a deep impression here, but what has most impressed the French is the passage in Hitler's proclamation declaring that Czechoslovakia is vital to Germany and that it belonged to Germany over 1,000 years.

This proclamation is regarded as abandonment of the principles of racism enunciated in "Mein Kampf", and also Hitler's statement after Munich, which he declared that National Socialism did not envisage incorporation in the Reich of non-Germans.—*Reuter*.

Chungking-Hanoi Air Service

Chungking, Mar. 16.

The Chungking-Hanoi air service was formally inaugurated yesterday when the C.N.A.C. plane Chungshan left Chungking for Hanoi via Kunming.

There were twelve passengers to Kunming and the other four to Hanoi.

The plane will make a round trip between Chungking and Hanoi every week.—*Central News*.

Missing Plane Is Found

Kunming, Mar. 16.

The missing Eurasia plane is reported to have been discovered at Lishihio, in the district of Weining in west Kweichow.

The four Chinese passengers aboard are Messrs. Yang Wen-ming, Wang Feng-chang, Tsao Shao-hsien, and Hsu Ching-lach.—*Central News*.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

The Hongkong Stock Exchange official summary issued 12.30 p.m. yesterday says:

The market continued steady, prices being well maintained and buyers predominating for most of the popular counters.

Buyers	
Hongkong Bank	\$1,400
Bank of East Asia	\$400
Canton Insurance	\$225
H.K. Fire Insurance	\$100
Telephones	\$775
H.K. Dock (New)	\$100
H.K. Tramways	\$100
H.K. Electric	\$250
Yammuti Perries (Old)	\$245
Yammuti Perries (New)	\$235
H.K. Tramways	\$100
Sandakan Lights	\$110
H.K. Ropes	\$410
Wing On (H.K.)	\$40
Entertainments	\$7
Vibro Piling	\$710
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	4% pm.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan	par.

Sellers	
Union Insurance	\$425
H.K. Tramways	\$175
China Lights (New)	\$5
Macao Electric	\$105
Cement	\$145
Sales	
Union Insurance	\$400
Docks (Old)	\$100
H.K. Dock (New)	\$100
H.K. Tramways	\$100
Yammuti Perries	\$245
Yammuti Perries	\$235
H.K. Tramways	\$100
Sandakan Lights	\$110
H.K. Ropes	\$410
Wing On (H.K.)	\$40
Entertainments	\$7
Vibro Piling	\$710
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan	4% pm.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan	par.



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State Procession For M. Lebrun

London, Mar. 15.

When the French President and Madame Lebrun arrive in London on Tuesday for a state visit, the King and Queen will welcome them at Victoria Station, and there will be a state procession from the station to Buckingham Palace.

The King and Queen and Monsieur and Madame Lebrun will drive in state landaus, accompanied by the Sovereign's escort of the Household Cavalry.—*British Wireless*.

New Whitehall Official

London, Mar. 15.

The Secretary for War has appointed Sir James Grigg, who will shortly complete his term of office as Finance member of the Government of India to be a permanent Under-Secretary at the War Office, succeeding Sir Herbert Greedy, who retires from public service in October.—*British Wireless*.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

hob-knob knight-erant
hokus-pokus muchilage
nick-nack muzzin
English Oxford Dictionary spell-
tys of these words will be found on page 5

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POOR DAY FOR C.R.C. PLAYERS AT TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Three Eliminated In Four Ties Yesterday

(By "Abe")

Yesterday was a bad day for Chinese R.C. players in the Colony Tennis Championships: in three out of the four singles matches decided C.R.C. men participated and in all three they were eliminated from the tournament.

Paul Kong met his Waterloo at the hands of E. C. Fincher, who played extremely well to win out in straight sets. The scores 6-2, 6-4 in his favour, against a player of Kong's calibre, are sufficient proof of the high quality of Fincher's tennis yesterday. Not only was his backhand in good working order, but he was able to keep mistakes on the forehand down to a minimum.

The court, of course, suited Fincher's chops, but slowed down Kong's shots, generally made with a flat racket. But this advantage apart, it was Fincher who looked the likelier one of the two to win; he made fewer mistakes and his passing shots were generally winners.

After winning the first set comfortably, Fincher broke through Kong's service after 3-3 had been called, but promptly dropped his own to level the scores at 4-4. However, he broke through his opponent's service, but this time he held his own to win out at 6-4.

If further proof was necessary to show that he will be a very difficult man to beat, Lim Thiam-tet provided it yesterday when he polished off

VETERANS TO FIGHT FOR TITLE

Len Harvey Meet Gains To-Night

London, Mar. 15. The British Empire heavyweight championship fight over 15 rounds at the Harringway Arena to-morrow between the 32-year-old Len Harvey, holder, and the 37-year-old coloured Canadian, Larry Gains, is likely to prove a battle of ringcraft, fitness and subtlety rather than hard punching, although both promise to knock-out the opponent.

If there is a knock-out, Harvey, who has shown impressive punching ability at training, is likely to win. To improve the television reception and to prevent any blurring of the figures, butterscup yellow canvas and blue ropes will be used.—Reuter.

Results Of Matches Played Yesterday

The following were the results of matches played yesterday:

OPEN SINGLES

George Choa beat H. G. Gan 6-1, 6-0.
A. Crawford beat Pang O-lam 6-4, 6-2.
Lim Thiam-tet beat Lee Yue-wing 6-3, 6-3.
E. C. Fincher beat Paul Kong 6-2, 6-4.

Lee Yue-wing, an extremely steady player, with the loss of six games. The former Perak champion revealed a stronger all-round game and won 6-3, 6-3.

The match between A. Crawford and Pang O-lam produced play of a fairly high standard, but the Kowloon C.C. man proved a trifle steadier of the two and won in straight sets. He was also a stronger all-round player.

George Choa had some useful practice against H. G. Gan, whom he beat easily.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

Singles—O. Rumjahn v. I. M. A. Razack; Tai Ping fan v. Chan Chik-keung; Tai Ping fan v. Chan Kam-moon; Tai Yuen-pul v. Wan Tsam; B. Szeto v. J. W. Leonard.

Eastern, Kwong Wah In Goalless Draw

Eastern and Kwong Wah met on the Club ground yesterday in the First Division of the Hongkong Football League, the result being a goalless draw.

The game was keen, but both defences were on top of the attacks.

MEDAL GOLF

The following were the results of the L.G.U. Medal Competition of the Ladies' Section of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club played at Fanling on March 14:

Silver Division, Old Course.—Mrs. D. J. Gilmore 96—15=81.
Bronze Division, New Course.—Mrs. J. R. Collis 92—23=69.

Draw In Test Confirmed

Durban, Mar. 15. The Final Test was abandoned as a draw on the tenth day. Rain stopped play throughout to-day when England needed only 42 runs, with five wickets in hand.

The match could not be continued as the M.C.C. team have to catch their ship home. The final scores were: South Africa 530 and 481; M.C.C. 316 and 654 for 5.—Reuter's Bulletin.

Ireland Defeated By Wales INTERNATIONAL SOCCER MATCH

London Mar. 15. At Wrexham to-day, before 20,000 spectators, Wales defeated Ireland by three goals to one in the international soccer match.

In the Welsh team, Poland of Wrexham was in goal, and Boulter of Brentford replaced Leslie Jones of the Arsenal at inside right. Ireland made one change from the team previously announced, Leathna, of Belfast Celtic, coming into the side in place of McMillen, of Chesterfield, at centre-half.

The teams, therefore, lined up as follows:—Poland (Wrexham); Turner (Charlton), Hughes (Birmingham); Green (Charlton), T. Jones (Everton), Dearson (Birmingham); Hopkins (Brentford), Boulter (Brentford) Glover (Grimsby) Bryn Jones (Arsenal) and Cumner (Arsenal).

Ireland—Breen (Manchester U.); Cook (Everton), Butler (Blackpool); Broly (Millwall), Leathna (Belfast Celtic), Weir (Clyde); Cochran (Leeds U.), Stevenson (Everton) Milligan (Chesterfield) and Dolohery (Manchester C.) and Brown (Birmingham).

Wales were confident at the start and Cumner gathered a pass from Bryn Jones to score in the seventh minute.

Milligan, however, equalised following a mix-up in the Welsh goal-mouth, but Glover restored the lead for Wales from a disputed corner kick by Cumner five minutes later.

STANDARD NOT HIGH. Play was not of a high standard. Ireland attacked hotly before the interval but were unable to break down the Welsh defence, and half-time arrived with the Welshmen leading by 2-1.

After the interval, the Welsh defence was hard-pressed by the forceful Irish forwards, who instituted many sweeping movements, which were spoiled by poor finishing.

Wales eventually scored against the run of play, Boulter netting the third goal.

After this, Wales improved though Ireland finished the stronger team of the two.

The Welshmen were flattered by their margin of victory. Poland, who made his debut as goal-keeper in an international for Wales, was impressive, saving his side repeatedly.

Missed "stoppers" caused the Irish defeat.—Reuter.

Results Of Matches Played In League

London, Mar. 15. The following were the results of matches played in the Home Football programme to-day:

FIRST DIVISION	
Chelsea	1 Blackpool
Sunderland	0 Portsmouth
Huddersfield	1 Liverpool
THIRD DIVISION (SOUTH)	
Bournemouth	1 Port Vale
THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)	
Bradford City	2 Doncaster
SCOTTISH LEAGUE (FIRST DIVISION)	
Clyde	2 Queen's Park

Rugby Matches At Home

London, Mar. 15. Rugby results to-day were as follows:

RUGBY LEAGUE	
Swinton	27 Broughton
Hangers	0
RUGBY LEAGUE CUP (GRD ROUND REPLAY)	
Hullfax	15 Wakefield
Trinity	12
RUGBY UNION	
Kent	0 United Banks
(at New Beekham)	0
Civil Service	6 R.A.F.
(at Chiswick)	23

OUR WEEKLY HOCKEY FEATURE

DIFFERENT METHODS EMPLOYED BY FORWARDS NOWADAYS

INDIVIDUAL PLAY SEEN TO GREATER EXTENT



Mrs. Dalziel, who will probably be turning out at inside left for the Colony Interport team.

New Method Tried For Corner Hits

In the matches played in the Western Counties Women's tournament at Weston-Super-Mare, a new method of taking corners, to give the attacking team a better advantage, was tried out as an experiment at the request of the All England Women's Association, to judge whether it should be included in the rules of the game for another season.

The system adopted was this: On being awarded a corner, the attacking forwards lined the circle as formerly, and the defence remained behind the "25 line" where the forwards of the defending side were waiting until the corner hit had been taken before moving. This scheme provided that only six players, instead of eleven, should be in front of them. In spite of this interesting experiment, goals proved to be just as scarce as under the existing corner rule.

As women are always keen and eager to make any substantial improvement in the technique of their game, it has been suggested how, ever, to play out as an experiment, so far as short corners are concerned, of placing the ball within five yards of the goalpost instead of the customary 10, with all defenders standing on the further side of the goal-line, with just the goalkeeper in charge. Until such an experiment is carried out by practical demonstration it is impossible to suggest whether such a reform of the short corner rule would make for any greater improvement. Beyond this one point in the game, it remains as perfect as it is humanly possible to make it.

It is left to be seen whether the women will experiment on this suggestion.

RANDOM JOTTINGS BY "THE PILGRIM"

ENTRIES for the Hongkong H.A. six-a-side tournament, which commences on April 2, will close Saturday. Clubs affiliated to Association are allowed to enter one or more teams, and their entries are to be forwarded to Mr. R. Henderson, Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong H.A. c/o Harbour View Hotel, Kowloon. The games will be of seven minutes' duration and will be played on the Navy, Recreation, C.B.A. and U.S.R.C. grounds at King's Park. The semi-finals and final will take place on the Club ground.

THE following gentlemen were elected to the Six-a-Side Tournament Committee:—Lieut. Gunner (Navy), Lieut. Hook (Army), Mr. A. E. P. Guest (Civilian) and the Hon. Secretary, R. Henderson. Further details will be published as soon as the Committee has had its first meeting.

MR. D. Smith, Tournament Secretary of the H.K.H.A., will be leaving for Shanghai on March 29 on a three weeks' vacation. He hopes to be present at the Ladies' Interport hockey match which is to be played in Shanghai during the second week of April.

MISS J. Weller, former "Y" Ladies' goal-keeper, has made a welcome return to the game after an absence of two seasons. She now plays at full back for the Hongkong Ladies' Brown Cup team, and gave a good display against the Recreation ladies last Saturday.

TWO well-known players are due to arrive back in the Colony

'The Pilgrim' on—

THROUGH PASS NOW FAVOURED

DIFFERENT METHODS EMPLOYED BY FORWARDS NOWADAYS

INDIVIDUAL PLAY SEEN TO GREATER EXTENT

The short-passing game, which was developed to such a fine art by some of the finest centre-forwards in hockey, has in present-day play been superseded to a great extent by the through pass. This is nothing more or less than the oldest style of hockey—called in those days "hit and run"—brought down to a scientific basis, and it is for this reason that nowadays we see little of the short square-passing game from stick to stick that used to be such a delight to watch.

The tendency of this new style of play has been to make players more individual than formerly, and the present-day centre-forward is generally seen doing rather more than the average amount of dribbling in an endeavour to draw the defences so as to make a through pass with success.

The centre-forward of to-day must not allow himself to become a slave to this new form of attack, but should use his own discretion as to when to employ it, and he should certainly vary his methods as much as possible.

A clever defence, alive to these methods, can position itself to frustrate attacks far more easily than it could to check a fast and clever line of forwards playing the short-passing game.

On wet and heavy grounds, where the defence find it difficult to turn quickly, a centre-forward can adopt the through-pass tactics with far

greater chances of success than on a hard and fast ground, and so here again generalship and brain-work must play an important part.

PLAY THE GAME

Sufficient attention is seldom paid either by the captain or by the team as a whole to the way in which the best can be brought out of the side. Too often a team is merely a collection of eleven individuals, but for an afternoon's exercise and enjoyment, who do not consider as much as they might the best way to get the utmost out of themselves, not only with a view to winning but also to give as good a display as possible.

Victory is certainly not the sole aim and object of any game. What is necessary is that the side should play well and hard, and also take any bad luck that comes their way with equanimity. If they should win, so much the better.



Miss Westcott is no stranger to the outside left position in Interport, having played before on this wing against Shanghai.

"PILGRIM" THINKS H. K. INTERPORT TEAM WILL DO WELL IN SHANGHAI

The ladies' Interport team has practically been selected. Eight defenders and seven forwards have been nominated by the Ladies' Hockey Association to make the trip to Shanghai.

The players chosen are: Goal-keeper—Mrs. Lunson (H.K. Ladies). Defenders—Miss G. White (St. Andrew's), Miss A. Fowler (H.K. Ladies) and Mrs. Wilmet (Seafarths). Forwards—Mrs. Stone (H.K. Ladies), Miss I. Woolley (C.B.A.), Miss Reid (St. Andrew's) and Miss Greaves (D.G.S.).

Half-backs—Mrs. Burnett (H.K. Ladies), Miss Harker (H.K. Ladies), Miss Westcott (H.K. Ladies), Miss M. Booker (C.B.A.) and Miss J. Greig (H.K. Ladies).

After last Sunday's trial, many followers of the game were probably surprised at several selections, and omissions, but no doubt the selectors have reasons for them. The absence of Miss C. Silva in the attack is due to the fact that she is unable to make the trip north.

It is left to be seen whether the women will experiment on this suggestion.

League Table To Date

The following is the H.K.H.A. Tournament Table to date:

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Radio & P.S.C.	8	5	0	3	12	4	17
Recreation	8	5	0	3	12	4	17
C.B.A.	8	4	2	2	12	14	14
H.A.F.	8	4	4	0	10	8	16
Polytechnic	8	3	3	2	11	11	9
Nomads	7	3	3	1	11	7	9
H.A.C.	7	2	3	2	10	8	8
H.K.T.C.	6	2	3	1	11	13	8
Varsity	6	0	6	0	0	0	0
Police "B"	6	0	0	6	12	0	0

keeper and Miss Fowler is a back who does not stand on any ceremony when she jumps into a tackle and hits the ball uncommonly hard. Miss White is as steady as ever and usually comes through an ordeal with distinct credit.

The three halves, Mrs. Stone, Miss I. Woolley and Miss H. Reid, are a constructive trio and are capable of rising to great heights when the occasion demands.

The above players took part in the first quarter of the trials last Sunday and to me they proved to be the best combination.

According to the names submitted, the Interport team and reserves would probably be as follows:

Mrs. Lunson
Miss G. White
Miss A. Fowler
Mrs. Stone
Miss I. Woolley
Miss H. Reid
Mrs. Burnett
Miss Harker
Mrs. Reid
Mrs. Dalziel
Miss Westcott

Reserves—Mrs. Wilmet, Miss B. Greaves, Miss M. Booker and Miss J. Greig.

A practice for the Interporters will be held on the Navy ground, King's Park, on Sunday at 10.30 a.m. when they meet the Rest.

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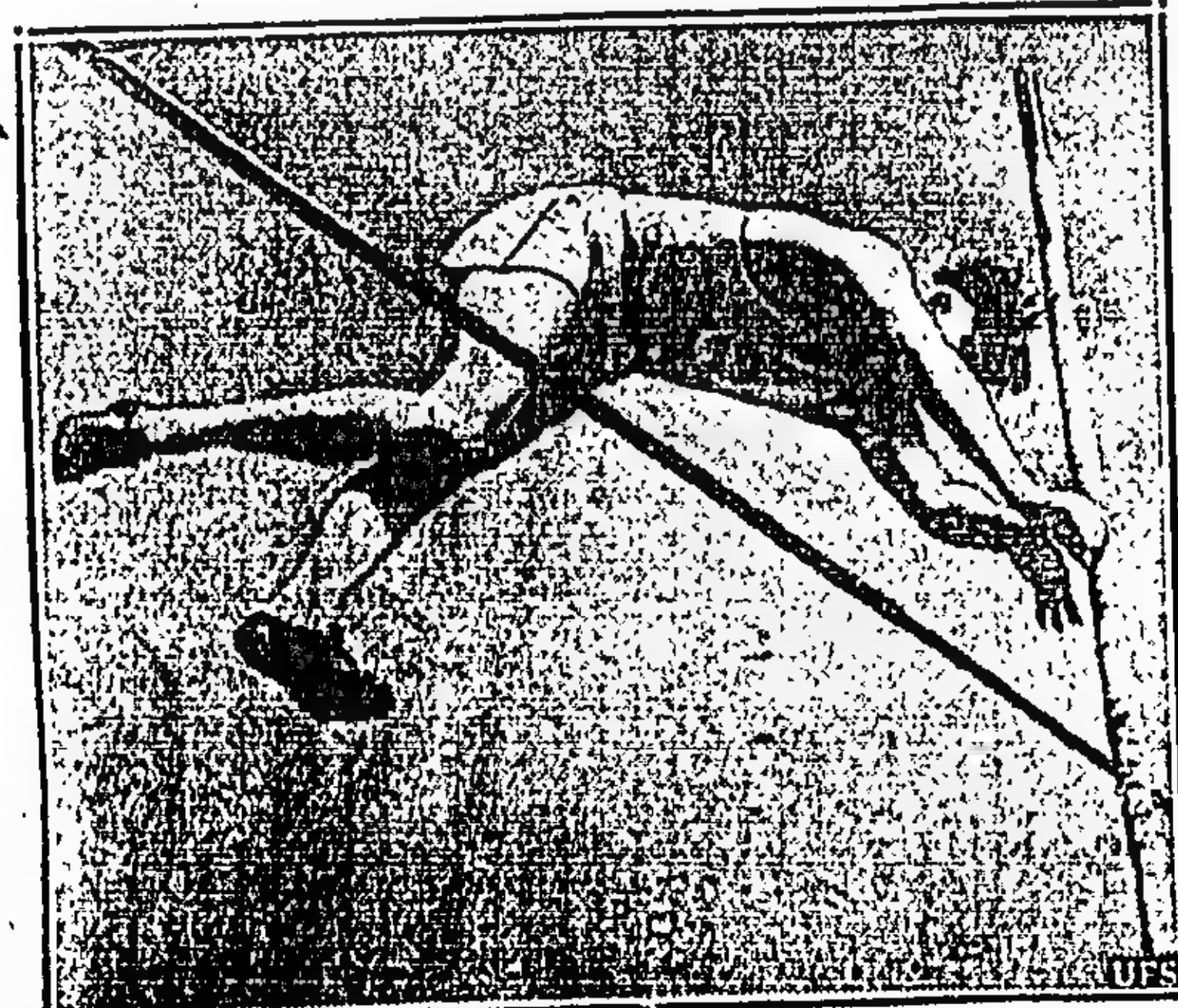
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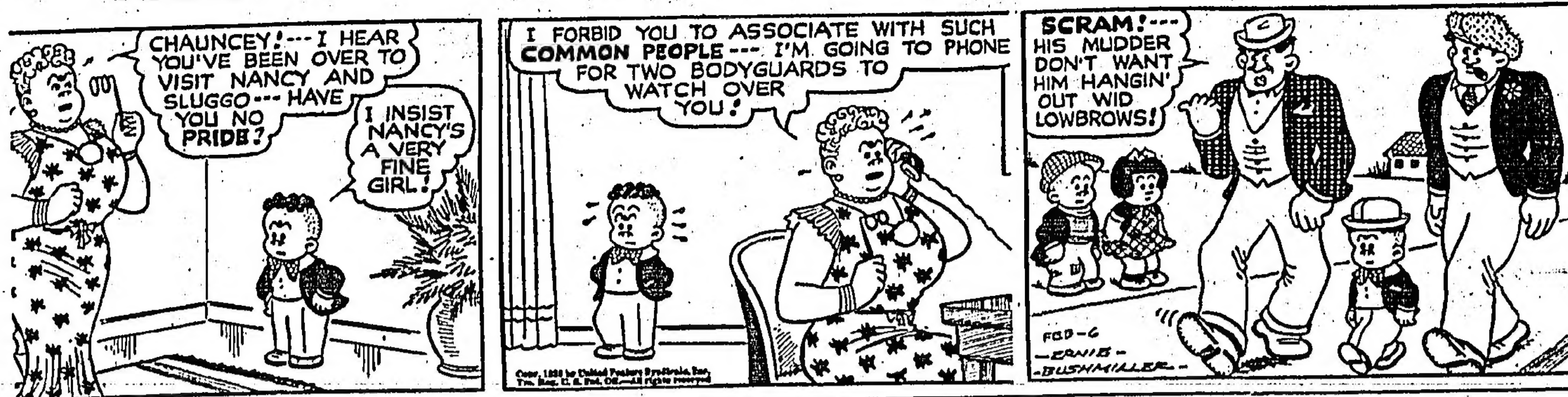
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Among many top-fighters in sports who were seen recently at the Millrose A.C. meet at Madison Square Garden was Cornelius Warmerdam, above, U.S. national pole vault champion. Warmerdam's record is 14 feet 7 1/2 in. He's from the California Olympic Club. This action picture shows him going over the bar.

NANCY



Birmingham's Cup "Tragedy" v. Everton

PENALTY CONCEDED ONLY 3 MINUTES FROM THE FINISH

By A. G. Shrive.

Everton 2 Birmingham

London, Feb. 16.
Another Cup-tie tragedy occurred in this fifth-round replay at Goodison Park, and the victims were Birmingham.

With only three minutes left for play they were beaten by a penalty goal conceded by Dearson, who in the excitement of the moment handed the ball which had been headed towards goal by Boyes from Gillick's centre.

The tragedy of it was that two of his colleagues could have cleared the ball in a legitimate manner. The goalkeeper moved across and had the ball covered and Halsall, who was standing in front of him, was rising to head it away. They moved in the nick of time and Dearson jumped up and used his hands to stop it. Cook took the "spot" kick and drove the ball low into the net to the left of the goalkeeper. This was Cook's fifth consecutive penalty goal.

EVERTON LUCKY

A few minutes before this Dearson had nearly won the match for his side. He took the ball through at top speed, was checked and lost it, but when Thomson passed it back to a colleague Dearson followed up and fired in the best shot of the match, which was brilliantly saved by Sagar.

Immediately the match was over Clark, the Birmingham goalkeeper, ran across the field and putted Dearson on the back—a very nice gesture from one who must have been suffering from a keen sense of disappointment. Everton can reckon themselves lucky, indeed to win this game and so gain the chance of visiting Wolverhampton in the next round. They did not play near such good football as Birmingham, who are at the bottom of the First Division table while they are at the top. Birmingham were the quicker-moving side, worked the ball more skilfully and found the open spaces much better with their passes. They must have played far above their normal form, or else they are occupying a false position in the League. Every position in the team was capably filled and the team spirit admirable.

An outstanding player was Halsall, the centre-half. He saw to it that Lawton had few chances and he was scrupulously fair in his tackling. Dearson also played a fine game, especially in attack.

BEST-INSIDE FORWARD

I thought the half-back play of Birmingham was better all round than that of Everton. Jones was easily the best Everton half-back. He never got flurried and covered up in defence with real judgment. Both Birmingham backs positioned well, tackled quickly and kicked soundly, while Clark's goalkeeping was marked by good anticipation and sure holding of the ball. Harris proved a fast and virile leader and drew the defence by

OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Gateway" (King's, to-day).—Drama of Ellis Island. Don Ameche, foreign correspondent, rescues Arleen Whelan, Irish immigrant, from deportation and in accordance with the best tradition, wins her hand. Gregory Ratoff, Blinn Barnes and a capable cast help the show along.

"Arkansas Traveller" (Queen's, to-day).—Bob Burns, tramp printer, steps into the breach in a western town, defends freedom of speech by radio when it is squashed in a newspaper. An improbable but pleasant tale in which Burns is well supported by Fay Bainter and Dickie Moore.

"His Excellency" (Alhambra, to-day).—Charlie Ruggles heads a list of funsters in this Universal hit, with "Slapstick" Moxie Rosenbloom, Stepin Fetchit, Benny Baker and Marion Martin. Ruggles as a bridegroom provides the laughs.

"Lord Jeff" (Oriental, to-day).—Freddie Bartholomew is again reformed through kindness, discipline and fair play. The accomplice of crooks, he is caught and sent to an English nautical school for waifs, where he learns a new code and drops his old one. The film bears an ideal cargo—fun, action, fair play and "love interest." Mickey Rooney, Terry Kilburn and others help the show along.

"Shopworn Angel" (Majestic, to-day).—Remake of a film based on a story by the late F. Scott Fitzgerald's "Girl," telling how a chorus girl married a doughboy so that he might carry his (mistaken) ideal of her to the trenches—where he was killed. Margaret Sullivan, James Stewart and Walter Pidgeon have the chief roles.

"Walt Disney's Variety" (Cathay, to-day).—More examples of Walt Disney's art. Good for the kiddies as the programme is all cartoons.

SILK LANDMARK

MT. PLEASANT, O.
A building in which the first American silk was grown has been ordered by the U.S. Navy. The structure served as a place for development of silk worm cocoons.

SPORT ADVTs

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE FIRST EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (weather permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 18th March, 1939, commencing at 2.00 p.m.

The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

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No One without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Such must be worn throughout the duration of each meeting in such a manner as to be readily identified. Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure will be issued at \$5.00 for Gentlemen and \$3.00 for Ladies (both including tax) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon the personal or written application of a Member, such Member to be responsible for all visitors introduced by him, and for Payment of all Chits, etc.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building (Tel. 27784), will close at 12 NOON. Tickets are obtainable at the Club House provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 21920).

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Megan Taylor
Champion again

Daphne Walker
She was third

MEGAN TAYLOR RETAINS WORLD SKATING TITLE

Prague, Feb. 12.
Miss Megan Taylor retained her world's figure-skating championship here to-night, and except when she was on the ice sat watching other competitors beside the most disappointed girl in Prague—Miss Cecilia Colledge, whose strained tendon dashed her hopes of winning back the title she lost to Miss Taylor last year at Stockholm.

Miss Colledge was the first to congratulate Miss Taylor, who said she was happy to have lost the championship, but regretted the bad luck which prevented Miss Colledge from competing.

Miss Colledge actually began skating yesterday, but found the pain too great and had to withdraw. She cried from disappointment when she came off the ice, and was consoled by Miss Taylor.

FINAL PLACINGS

1. Miss Megan Taylor (Britain), 373.22 points (placements 5).
2. Miss Hedy Stenuf (U.S.A.), 358.09 points (placements 14).
3. Miss Daphne Walker (Britain), 350.74 points (placements 16).
4. Miss L. Veleck (Germany), 350.33 points (placements 18).
5. Miss E. Nyklova (Czechoslovakia), 350.00 points (placements 17).
6. Miss E. Putzinger (Germany), 340.20 points (placements 20).
7. Miss M. Muselkova (Germany), 342.51 points (placements 37).
8. Miss Gladys Jagger (Britain), 344.49 points (placements 35).

HITLER SALUTE

Miss Daphne Walker was thus placed third. An unlucky fall may just have cost her the second place. Most striking incident to-night was when a German competitor, Fraulein Anita Vageler, before beginning clicked her skated heels together and gave the Hitler salute.

King To Take Crown On Canadian Tour

LONDON, Mar. 15.
WHEN the King and Queen go to Canada in the spring it has been decided that they shall take royal crowns with them. This will be the first time in history that British Crown Jewels have crossed the Atlantic.

Most likely the crown to be taken by the King will be the Imperial State Crown, which has been altered to suit and which he has already worn three times.

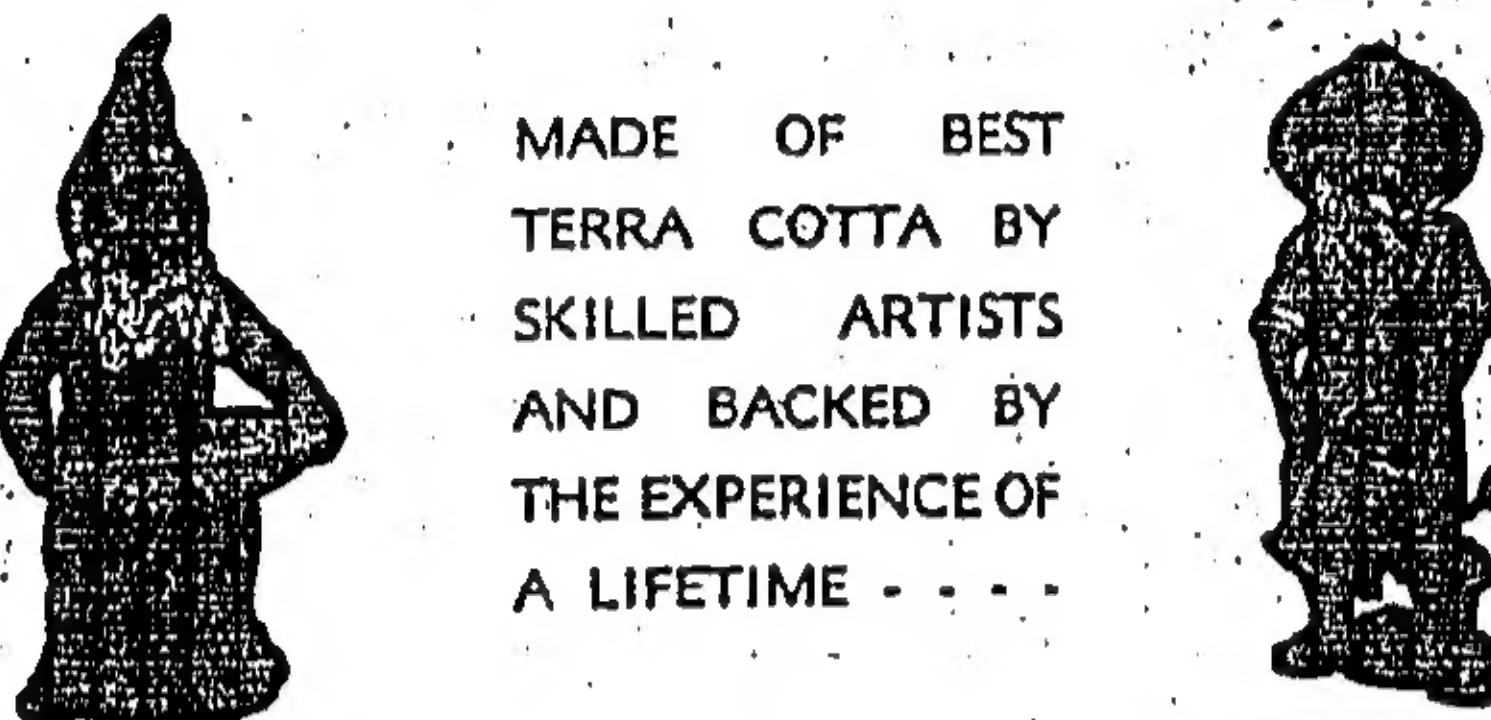
It contains a pair of Queen Elizabeth's earrings and the romantic Stuart sapphire, emerald and the country by James II. and restored to the Crown years afterwards. The Queen's crown which she will take has the Koh-i-noor diamond set in it. It is made of platinum and set entirely with diamonds. It has detachable arches so that it can be worn as an open coronet. The Queen will be able to detach the Koh-i-noor from her crown and wear it on other occasions. It is a tradition about this famous stone, and one always re-

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SO EFFECTIVE ON PARIS VISIT
Here is a forecast of the trends which the Queen's clothes will follow—
Colours will include no black, but some black and white, a good deal of the white, which proved so effective on the Paris visit, several shades of blue, which has been her favourite colour from girlhood, and pastel tints. Daytime lines will be based on neat defined waists, flared skirts and shorter hemlines.
"Garden party" gowns will be included, some short sleeved to be worn with elbow-length gloves. For summery dresses modernist designs are ruled out; natural flower patterns will be featured. Hats, while actually fairly flat, will be built up in the crown to give an impression of height. This effect will be achieved partly by artificial flowers so natural that they could be mistaken for the real thing instead of by feather trimmings such as the Queen has been wearing lately.
Fur trimming will be less in evidence than in the past, but the Queen will take with her several hand-some furs.
A marked difference is anticipated between the clothes designed for Canada and those to be worn in the U.S.A.
The reason for this is that Canadians have expressed the wish that their Queen shall look as "regal" as possible while in the United States. The King and Queen will be regarded as the head of a friendly state and his consort rather than as state-visiting royalty.



Elizabeth and Cary Grant, in the world to go and jump into a lake in their latest co-starring effort, Columbia's "Holiday," a brave new story of two young people in love with life and each other. The picture opens at the King's Theatre on Saturday.



By
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AVERAGE BABY...

What Do You
WEIGH?

Weekly weighings must be carried out exactly, if they are to be a guide to baby's progress.

THE Clinic's Weighing Day, and what a busy scene it calls to mind! First, the large waiting-room, where mothers and babies await the arrival of the Health Visitor and her helpers; then the weighing-room itself into which the mothers are admitted.

Here the temperature is raised by means of radiators, for the little ones are undressed to their vents, and even that is slipped off when they are laid for a minute on a warmed cloth over the scales.

This is really the only way in which the weight can be ascertained correctly, and gains or losses properly estimated by means of the weight-card.

While Mother dresses her baby, nurse gives a little advice according to the information noted on this card.

Rapid Gains

If Baby is gaining too rapidly, for instance, and suffering from wind or colicky pains after a feed, she will explain how best to cut down the feeds to the quantity that the infant can assimilate comfortably.

If, on the other hand, the gains are insufficient, she will go into the matter carefully, perhaps suggesting changes in the mother's diet or more rest for

her, or else she may feel that supplementary feeds are indicated, and will advise accordingly.

I always advise every mother to keep a careful record of her baby's weight, whether she is able to attend a weighing centre or not.

Actually the weighing centre is best because of the facilities for undressing Baby, which could not be managed in the open chemist's shop; but, whatever method you follow, do have Baby weighed once a week up to the age of six months and after that once a fortnight up to the age of one year.

During the second year, once a month should be sufficient for the normally healthy toddler.

An important point is to have Baby weighed at about the same hour as well as on the same day each week. Well between two feeds is the best time if you want to get a fair estimate of the progress made.

If you cannot undress Baby, take a little parcel with you containing exactly similar garments to those which the infant is wearing, and having had this little parcel weighed, deduct that weight from that of the clothed baby.

What to Expect

There must be nothing slack about these weekly weighings; they must be carried out carefully and exactly, otherwise they are useless as a guide to baby's progress.

How much should Baby gain? This is a question which puzzles many young mothers, and I find that most of them tend to expect too much where the weekly gains are concerned.

A rough estimate, but one that works

out quite well, is to expect that the child should double its birthweight by the time that it is six months old, and that it should have reached the birthweight by its first birthday.

This would only apply to the average baby, of course. Tiny premature babies weighing perhaps five pounds or less often do wonders in making up for their modest start in life.

Others, again, who started life as nine or ten pounders, may not develop so rapidly where weight is concerned during their first year.

First Months

You can be satisfied if your baby gains four to six ounces every week during the first six months of his life. After that he may only gain two or three ounces each week, especially if he is teething.

During his second year you can rest contented if he gains about six ounces each month.

Larger gains during the first six months, coupled with restlessness, wind and signs of pain point to over-feeding; smaller gains or a "standstill" go to show that the diet needs adjustment and probably supplementing.

I also advise you to keep a "log-book" of Baby's progress, for you will find it an immensely interesting record, besides which it may prove a really helpful guide should the child's health cause anxiety at any time.

You can rule the book out for yourself, dividing it up into various sections under the headings of Weight, Height, Mental Progress, Attainments (First Smile, First Step, First Word, etc.) and Teething and, if you have artistic

tendencies, you will be able to ornament the margins attractively. May I remind you that this should not only be done in the case of the first baby but also for the second and the third, if your home is blessed with several children. A comparison of all these records is sure to be of great family interest in later years.

Recently an excellent little book has come into my hands called, "How to Keep Baby Well" and, among other most useful advice, it shows clearly how three records should be kept for every reference. The book also deals with such important matters as feeding, weaning, teething troubles, and mild nursery ailments, as well as with the general care of Baby.

I feel that this book would be of real interest to all young mothers, so I propose to send a copy to all who are interested as long as my supply lasts. Will you write to me on a postcard at once—Nursery Expert, "Daily Herald" Acre House, 72, Long Acre, London, W.C.2—if you care to avail yourselves of this offer.

Fashion Notes

THERE are some interesting millinery shapes, notably the Robin Hood style in leaf-green shade. The tricorne with an open crown and a mass of small flowers grouped in front is making its debut to the public in Paris. From the crown, a soft veil falls gracefully over the wearer's shoulder.

I Like Spoiling My Daughter

JENNY is 10—and the apple of her father's eye. As I am her father, I am entitled to say that. What is more, I am not the least ashamed of it.

Yet most of my friends think it is a sign of great weakness on my part. "Very bad," they murmured, "Doesn't do to spoil your daughter, you know. They will take advantage of it. Jenny will be a spoiled child."

They were saying that when she was 12, but I have not noticed this trait yet in her character. In fact, she is as considerate to me as she has always been, and as grateful. As I like spoiling her, there seems to be no ill effects—well, why shouldn't I?

"Ah, but when she marries, she will be too pampered to make a good wife," say these friends again. "If a woman does not know what it is to lead a hard life, she will never be able to stand up to reverses."

Strange Conduct
Their argument, I suppose, is that I should give my daughter a few hard knocks, just to show her what they are like!

It seems a peculiar policy to me. Surely it is more pleasant to have a serene, happy youth? And surely this background will help, not hinder her, whatever her life in after years may bring?

What they really mean is that she will always expect as good a home as she has left, and for the life of

The "Professional Touch" In Ironing

BEFORE your ironing is actually started, place a folded paper on the ironing sheet; this prevents damp garments from moistening the ironing sheet, which necessitates longer ironing of the garment; and also it enables one to iron the clothes much more smoothly.

Before ironing pure silk, first damp it down well and leave the garment rolled up, prior to ironing with a hot iron. The method is different with Shantung silk, which must be ironed well as soon as it is dry.

Artificial silk requires careful handling and should be pressed with a warm (never hot) iron on the wrong side; a hot iron is fatal to artificial silks, spoiling the colour and sometimes taking a whole piece out of the material.

Stockinet which has shrunk in the wash can be stretched back to normal shape with the iron; first damp it slightly, then iron it on the wrong side. The damping process is very important, because if the article is not damp enough the "wrinkling creases" simply won't come out!

Finely woven wools need only a warm iron when dry, on the wrong side, but hand-knitted cardigans and jumpers need a damp cloth when ironing with a warm iron.

A better method, but one which takes more time, is first to pin the garment in place on your ironing board, then carefully press it, except at waist, wrists, and lower edge, with a warm iron; this treatment is excellent for a garment which has lost its shape in the wash.

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Crossword Puzzle

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ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 1-Air-venture (col.)
- 2-The cup
- 3-Edict of the Emperor
- 4-Interview
- 5-Isolation
- 6-Bird in flight
- 7-Impute details
- 8-Five hundred and two
- 9-For instance (subt.)
- 10-Small survey ad
- 11-Cable rail
- 12-On account (subt.)
- 13-Cheerful smile
- 14-Naval sailor
- 15-Game for holding money
- 16-Ladder over fence
- 17-Use for holding money
- 18-Buildings devoted to religious life of monks
- 19-Color of grass
- 20-Coral island
- 21-Bird
- 22-Go to right
- 23-Nickname of former Spanish queen
- 24-At the time when
- 25-Walk in wintery way
- 26-One hundred and five
- 27-Charpen point of stream of children in lower world

DOWN

- 1-Distant coast
- 2-Write giving right to
- 3-Scize land
- 4-Down
- 5-Legs
- 6-Not as early
- 7-Kissed
- 8-In addition to
- 9-Common expression
- 10-Continued
- 11-Australian word
- 12-Of short duration
- 13-Worker in bank
- 14-One who makes sudden effort
- 15-On who else, with
- 16-Close
- 17-Criminal cunning
- 18-Group in middle
- 19-Lane period of time
- 20-Become courteous
- 21-Addition to nouns
- 22-Derived from milk
- 23-Person enthusiastic at house of another
- 24-Characteristic voice of a people
- 25-Day of month now known as "April"
- 26-Beer-like drink
- 27-Eyes (intensified)
- 28-Voice (intense)
- 29-Large serpent
- 30-In the same (subt.)
- 31-Railroad (subt.)
- 32-Italian river

MIDGE: In Waiting

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Burmese Stamps

* New Set of PICTORIALS *

UNTIL the 1st April, 1939, Burma, an eastern land with an area five times that of England, but with less than half its population, was a province of the Indian Empire.

On that day it was separated from India and—of some importance to philatelists—was given its own issue of stamps.

The first set consisted only of the current Indian stamps overprinted with the word "BURMA". There was a great demand for them from collectors, who thought at the time that they would not remain in use very long as a "definitive" set was rumoured.

It was eighteen months, however, before the new series appeared.

This King George VI set includes many interesting pictorials. Like the stamps of the neighbouring country, they are typically oriental in design. The low values (from 3 pils to



Above: A sailing canoe with wind-filled sails on the mighty Irrawaddy. On the left: Oxen draw the plough in the rice fields of Burma.

around the central portrait. The principal river of the country is the Irrawaddy, a mighty waterway which is navigable for nearly 1,000 miles to its mouth. A canoe with wind-filled sails, on this river, is pictured on the 8 annas.

The two main exports are rice and teak. On the 31 annas can be seen a rice field in which a Burmese is guiding a plough drawn by two oxen.

An elephant pushing a huge log of teak with its trunk is depicted on the 3 annas. The 21 annas illustrates the royal barge, a great pagoda-like building floating on the water.

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Native Carvings

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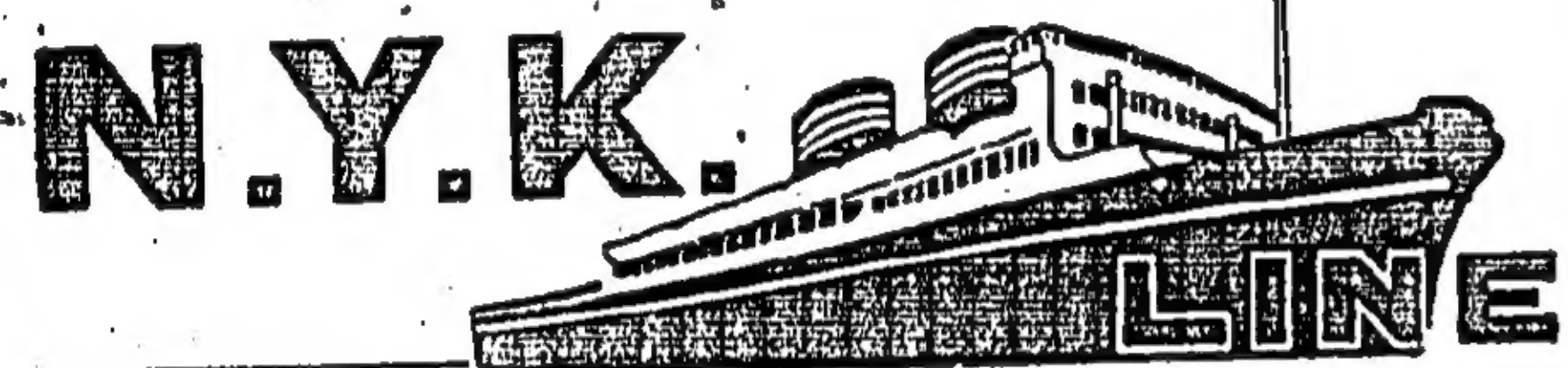
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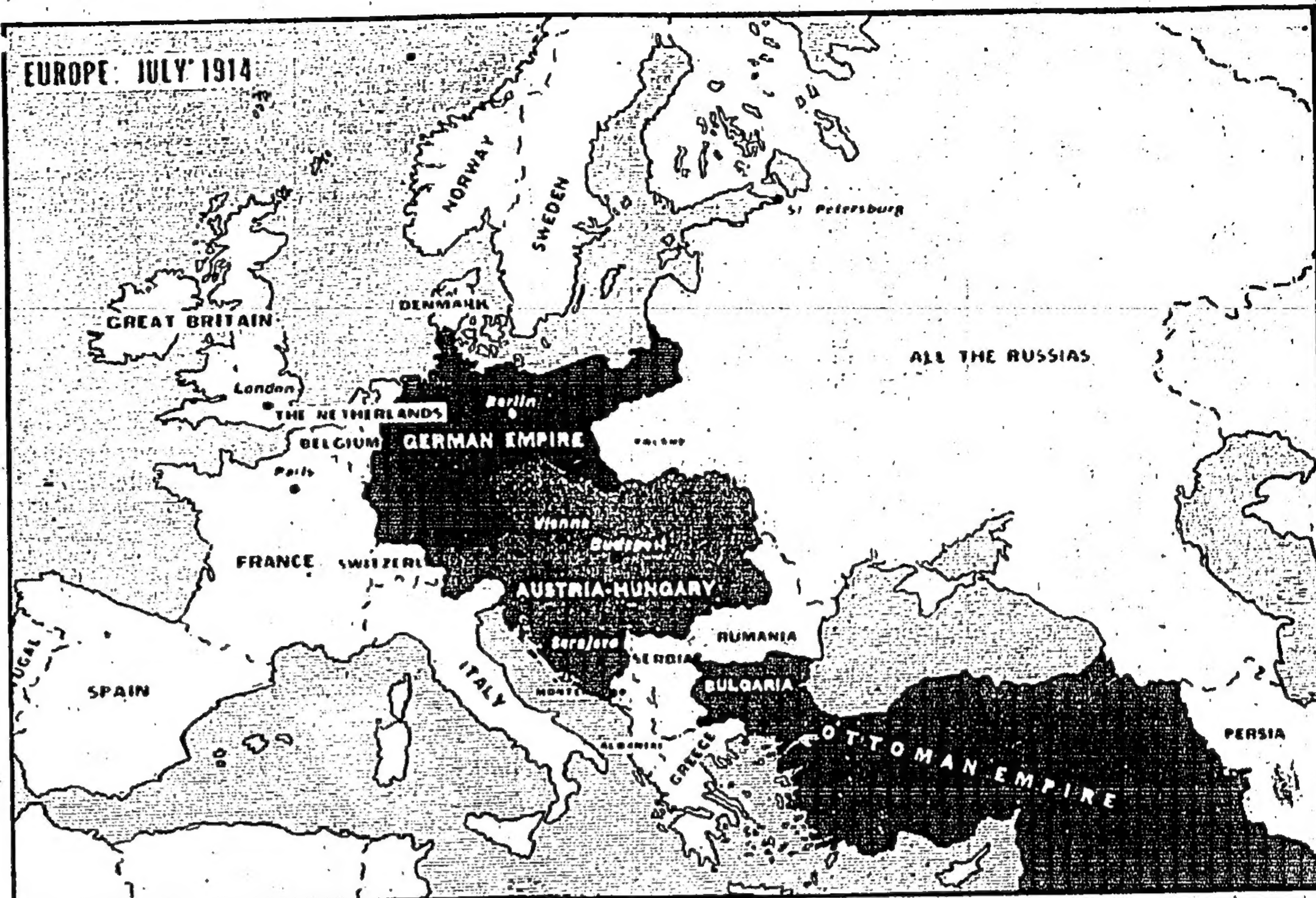
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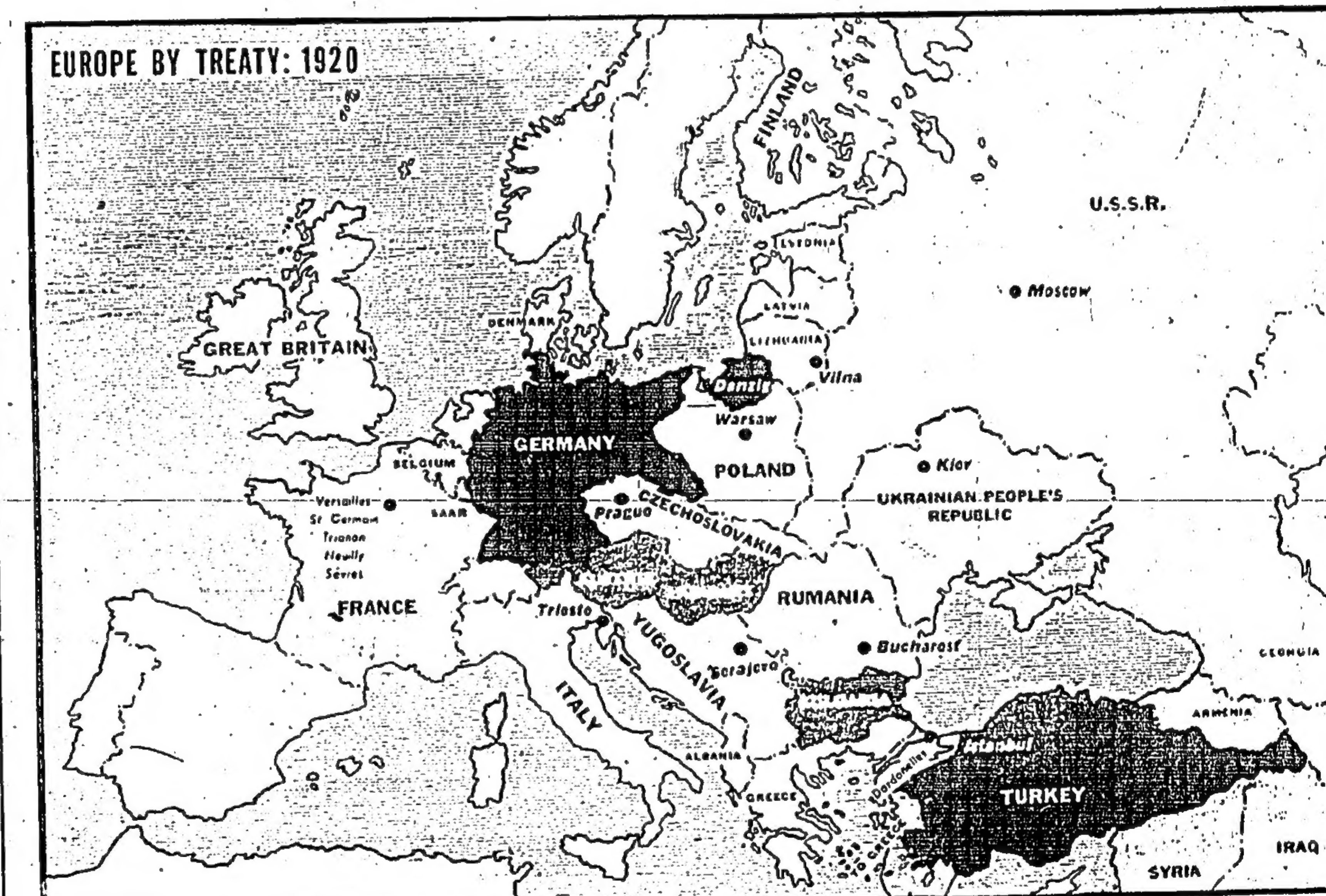
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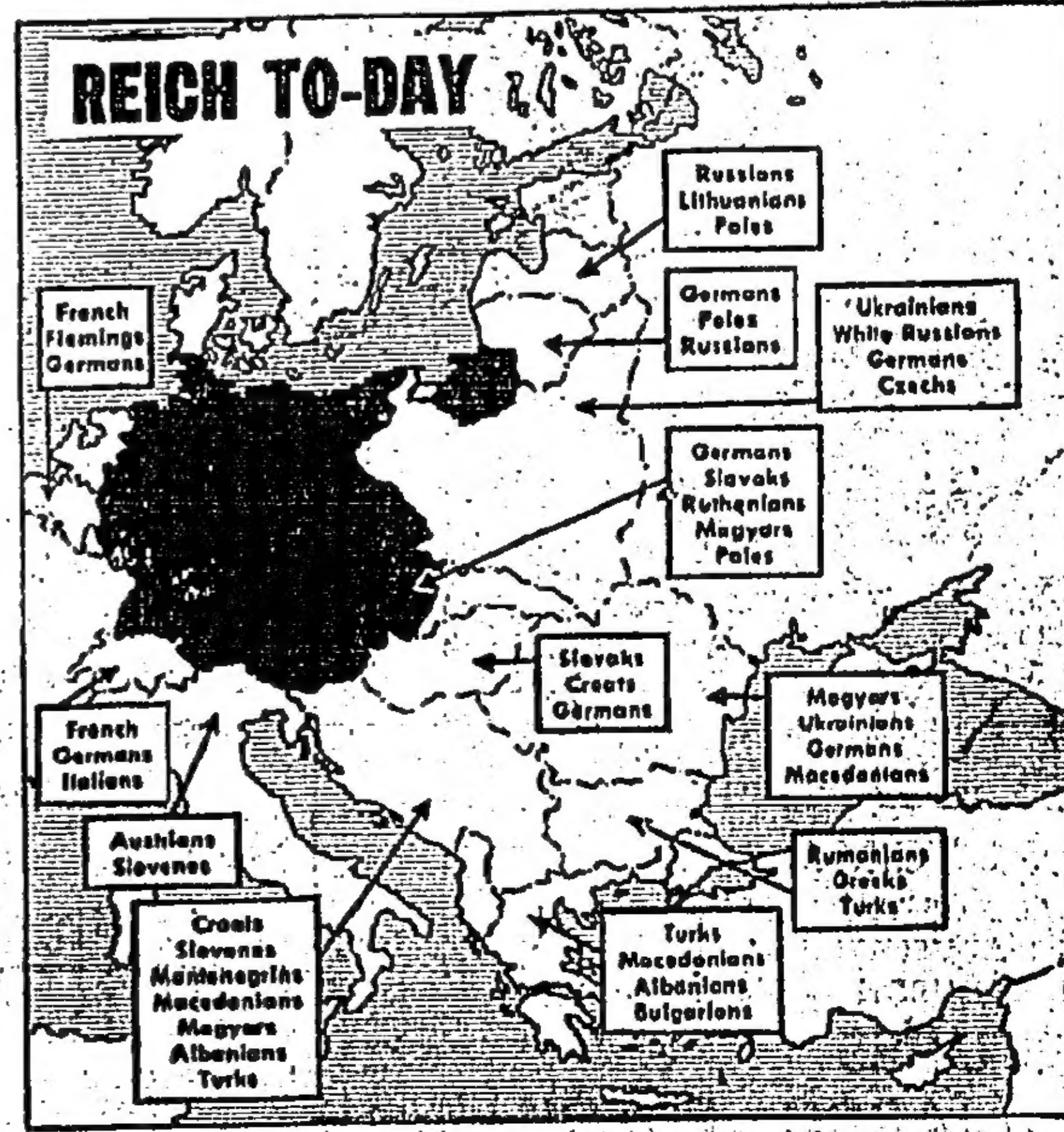
Europe before the Great War in 1914. Poland was part of Russia, there was no Czechoslovakia or Baltic States. The Austro-Hungarian and German frontiers looked across the plains of Russia.



Europe at the end of the Great War. Germany was dismembered, Czechoslovakia became a powerful state with its most heavily populated area in the heart of Germany. Note, however, that Czechoslovakia was carved from Austro-Hungary, not Germany. Yugoslavia was born.



Germany, which commenced to grow with the Rhineland occupation in 1936 was like this after the Austrian Anschluss on March 13, 1938, exactly a year ago this week.



And this is the position today. Czechoslovakia is a dying nation; a new State, Slovakia, is born, and Hungary is fighting Ruthenians in the eastern end of Czechoslovakia.

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Hongkong, 12th March, 1939.

VILLAGE ALL EUROPE IS WATCHING

(Continued from Page 6.)

of here and never let see your face again.

Brody returned to Chust, his new capital, only to find that he had been superseded. His successor was Volosin, an orthodox priest.

As soon as Hitler learned of Brody's demands, he asked the Gestapo to get material about him. They raided his flat in Vienna, made a search among his papers and found an agreement between Brody and the Hungarian Government. In this, Brody agreed to win Carpatho-Ukraine for Hungary. In return he was to receive 600,000 pengos, two estates and a baronate.

The Germans sent this material to the Czech Government, which at once ordered Brody's arrest. Next day one of the first aeroplanes which took off from the new aerodrome of Chust carried the first Premier of Carpatho-Ukraine as a prisoner of the Czech police to Prague.

Accused of corruption and high treason, he was expected to be given a severe sentence. The Germans pressed hard for him to be condemned to death. But when the Christmas amnesty came, Brody was released.

Meanwhile his successor, Volosin, is a man to watch. He is a Catholic priest, a Monsignor, a natural in Carpatho-Ukraine, where not many people outside the Church can read or write, that a priest should be Prime Minister.

"Other Means" Threat

Yet Monsignor Volosin was unharmed before Munich. He has suddenly come into the limelight. To-day, he is the pivot of the new European crisis.

Volosin's aim was to make Carpatho-Ukraine independent as he could. That was what Hitler encouraged him to do. The Hungarian Government does not want that. There were violent Hungarian demonstrations throughout the streets of Chust. Young Hungarians demanded the removal of Prehoda. To-day, Hungarian troops march, and a dream is realised.

Chust is still a village to watch. There will be more news thence before this month is much older. Germany will not take kindly to this new move.

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BRITISH DEMARCHE TO BERLIN

London, Mar. 15. Britain has made a demarche to Berlin concerning the entry of German troops into Czechoslovakia. It is regarded as possible that a similar step will be taken by France.

It is learned that during the recent events there have been close contacts between the British Minister to Prague and Czech officials. The Czechs, however, have made no request for advice to the British Government.

There is now a strong possibility that the projected trade visit of Mr. Oliver Stanley and Mr. R. S. Hudson, Board of Trade officials, will be cancelled.—*Reuter*.

Y.M.C.A. LECTURE

At the European Y.M.C.A. Kowloon, to-night, at 9 p.m., Mr. M. F. Key, O.B.E., will give an address on a journey across the United States by motorbus, with an account of Yosemite, the Carlsbad Caverns and the Grand Canyon.

An original feature of the evening will be a pageant of American men's fashions illustrating cowboy clothes and other gay styles, including the "Gipsy Doodle" shirts popular in Honolulu.

Professor R. Robertson, of the Hongkong University, will preside.

LATE NEWS

NOTES SIGNED
Italy And Britain Discuss Trade Relations

Rome, Mar. 15. The British Ambassador, Lord Perth, and Count Ciano have signed the exchange notes in connection with the review of the existing commercial agreement.

It is believed that the notes will bring up to date the existing treaty by reviewing the list of British products which Italy can use and Italian products useful to Britain.—*Reuter*

Egypt

Wedding Contract Is Signed

King Farouk and the Crown Prince of Iran to-day signed the contract for the marriage between the latter and Princess Fawziyah. According to Moslem custom, the bride was not present.

Celebrations are taking place, lasting three days, and another ceremony will be held when the Crown Prince and his bride return to Tehran.—*Reuter's Bulletin*.

Royal Salute Fired

Cairo, Mar. 15. A Royal salute announced to the waiting citizens that the wedding contract had been signed at Abdine Palace.

King Farouk and the Crown Prince of Iran signed the contract in the presence of a hundred princes and high dignitaries, including the Prime Minister.—*Reuter Special*.

CARTOONISTS' UNION

A Hongkong branch of the Chinese Cartoonists' Association was formally organised at a meeting of more than 30 leading Chinese cartoonists on Tuesday.

Messrs. Yeh Chien-yu, Huang Ting, Chang Kwang-yu, Chen Yen-chiao, Li Fan-fu and Ting Chung were elected members of the standing committee.

It was decided that an exhibition of modern Chinese cartoons will be held in Hongkong in the early part of April, and a cartoon periodical will be published.—*Central News*.

AN ANCIENT ANIMAL

Remains of Desmostylus Found in Japan

Tokyo, Mar. 15. Desmostylus, monster animal believed to have lived in Japan approximately 20,000,000 years ago, belongs to the Ungulate family, according to Professor Masaji Ijiri of the Tokyo High School.

Desmostylus is believed to have inhabited along the coast of the Northern Pacific including Japan and the United States, its size being about the same as that of Rhinoceros or Hippopotamus.

A number of skeletons, believed to be the remains of the ancient animal, have been discovered in Japan in the provinces of Izumo, Mino and Sado, the Hokkaido and Saghalien and in America in the State of Oregon.

Interviewed by newspapermen, Professor Ijiri said that Japan was most abundant in Desmostylus skeletons. It was interesting to note, Professor Ijiri added, that the tusk of this animal contained the same element as the tooth of human being.—*Domei*.

EXTORTION CASE

Clerk Remanded For Sentence

Convicted on a charge of attempted extortion by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, a man named Fu Yun-ming, 32, clerk, was remanded in police custody for 24 hours prior to sentence being passed. Mr. Macfadyen said that the sentence will be \$250 or three months' hard labour, to date from March 6.

The defendant was accused of having attempted to extort \$1,000 from Long Sheung, former Chief Paymaster of the Shanghai Public Safety Bureau, by threatening to publish certain matters alleging that Long had appropriated certain monies paid to him by the Chinese Government authorities as wages for persons working under him two years ago.

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For a little over seven weeks, tuberculosis has been a notifiable disease in Hongkong, and as a result, no less than 1,000 cases have been reported to the health authorities during that period up to last night. This is an average of 180 per week, or 21 a day.

During the last 24 hours, twenty new notifications were made, including eight from Victoria, nine from Kowloon, two from the New Territories, and one from Rural Hongkong.

So far this year there have been 475 cases of measles, 202 cases of diphtheria, 184 cases of meningitis, 157 of chicken-pox, 118 of diphtheria, 100 of enteric fever, 105 of small-pox, 12 of puerperal fever, five of cholera, and four of scarlet fever.

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